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TO THE DEATH!



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## DEATH TO THE BEYONDER!

"WE'RE  
DEAD  
MEN!"

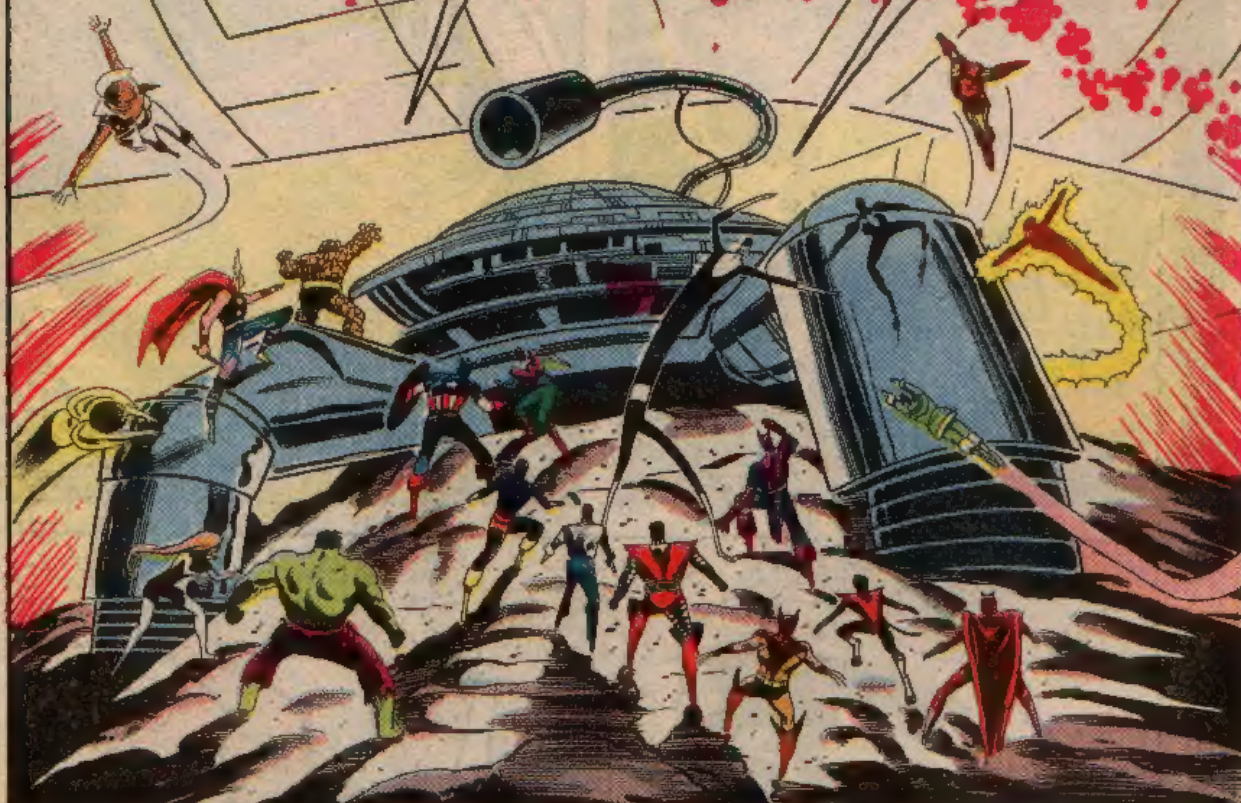
THOSE WERE THE WORDS OF REED RICHARDS, ALSO KNOWN AS MISTER FANTASTIC, WHEN, MOMENTS AGO, GALACTUS ESCAPED THIS MOUNTAINTOP BATTLE-SITE.

GALACTUS FLED TO HIS HOME-WORLD, A CONSTRUCT SO HUGE THAT IT FILLS THE SKY THOUGH IT ORBITS MANY MILLIONS OF MILES DISTANT. NOW CAPTAIN AMERICA AND HIS HEROIC CONRADES CAN ONLY WATCH HELPLESSLY AS THE HOME-WORLD OF GALACTUS DISSOLVES INTO PURE, BRILLIANT ENERGY-- SIGNALING THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF THEIR LIVES!

LEMME GET THIS STRAIGHT, REED! SINCE WE PREVENTED HIM FROM EATIN' THIS GODFORSAKEN MUDBALL WE'RE STANDIN' ON--

--HE'S EATIN' HIS OWN HOME-WORLD?!

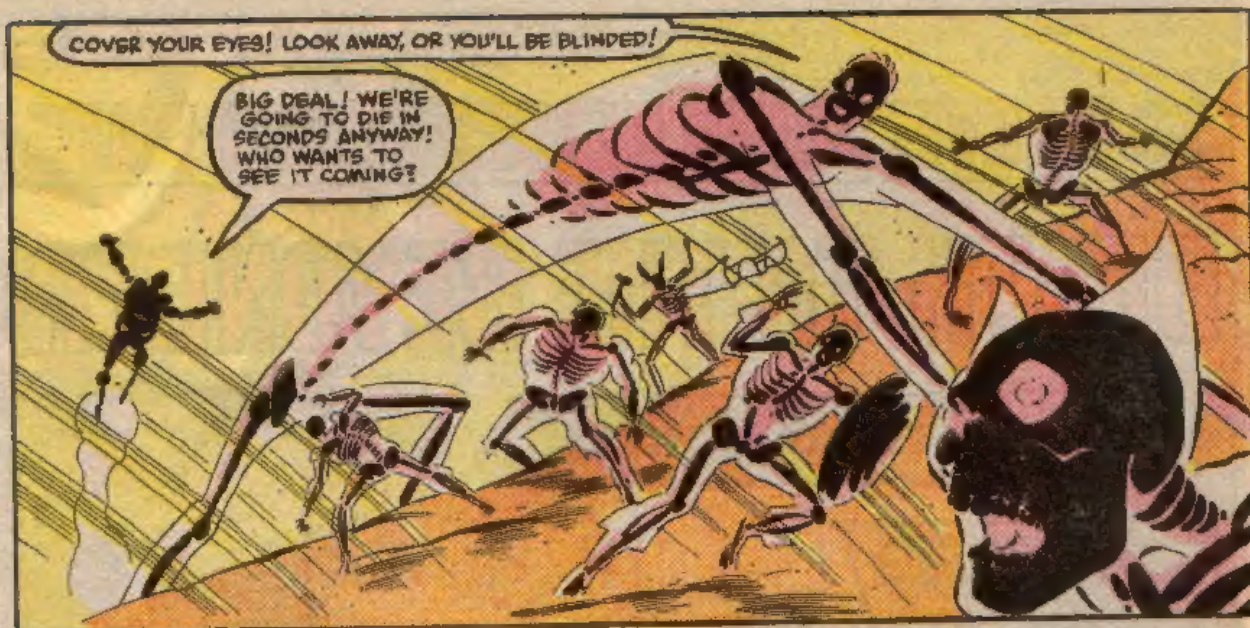
RIGHT, BEN! AND ONCE HE'S RECHARGED WITH ENERGY YOU CAN BET HE'LL BE BACK TO HAVE US FOR DESSERT!



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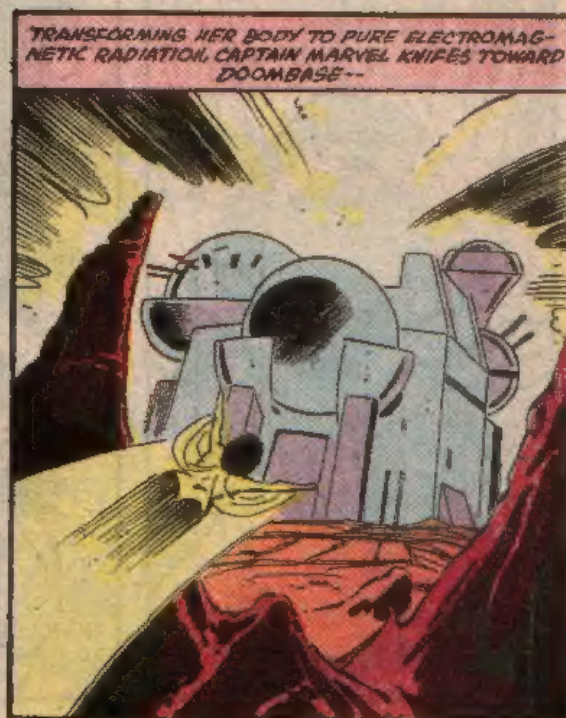
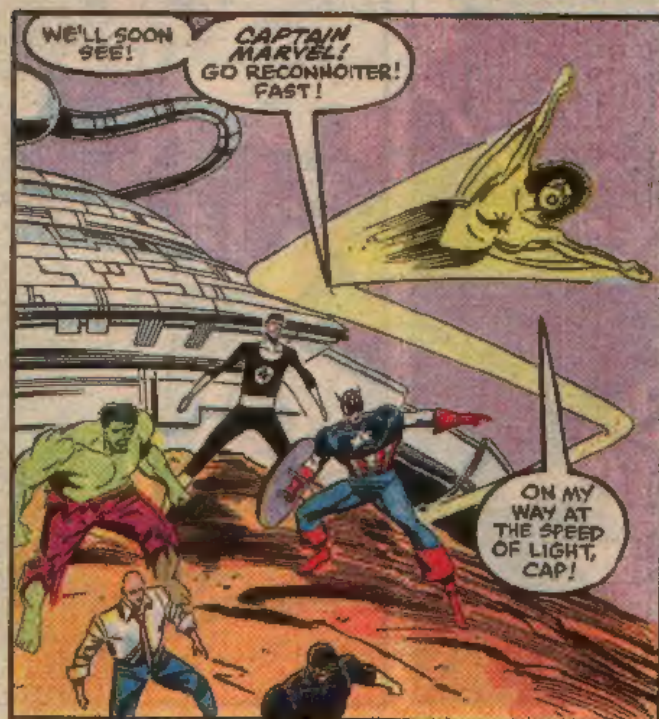
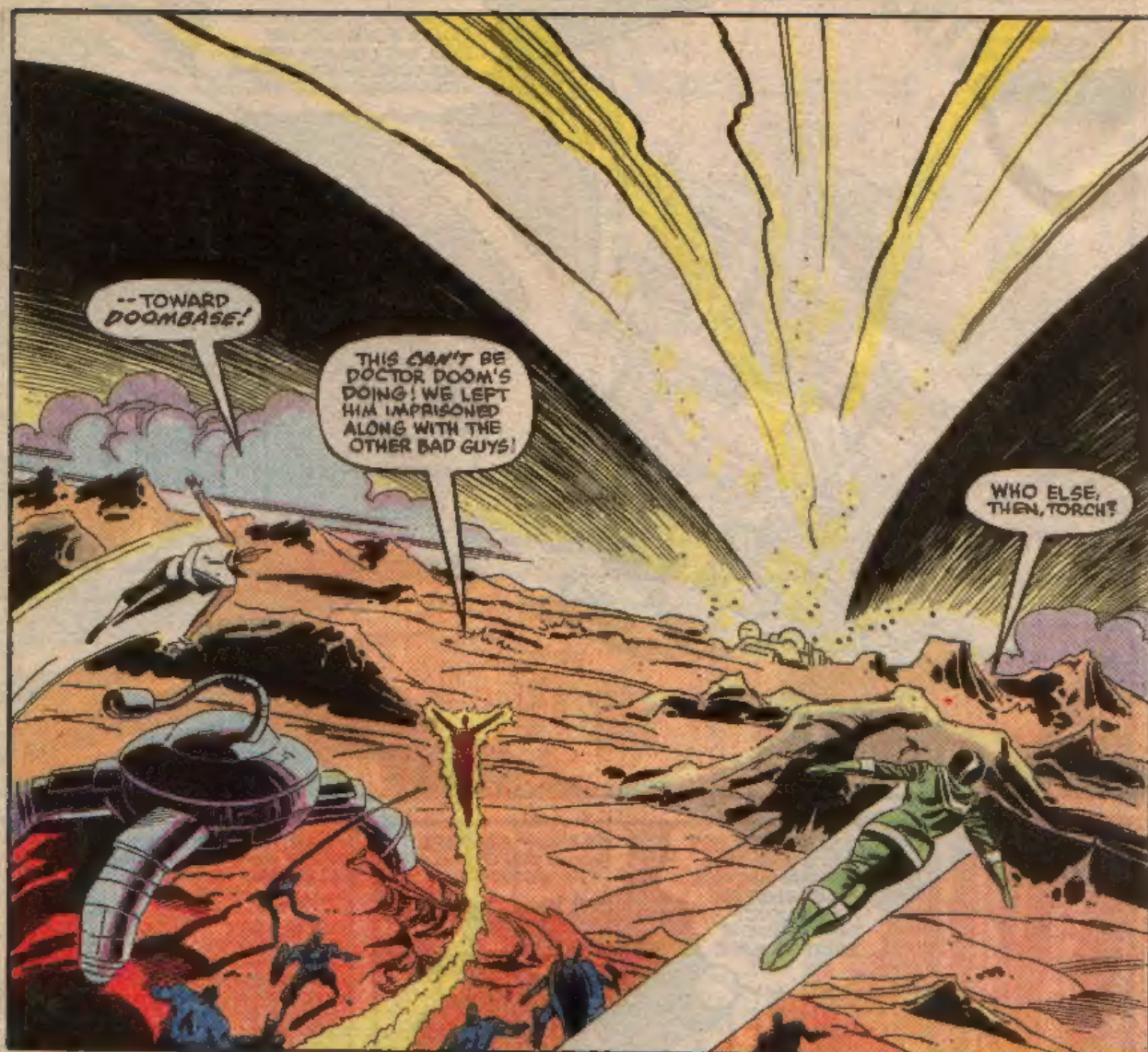
HIGH ABOVE, THE LAST REMAINS OF THE ENORMOUS WORLD-SHIP ARE TRANSFORMED, SWELLING THE NUBBUS OF RAW ENERGY WHICH BILLOWS IN THE VOID...



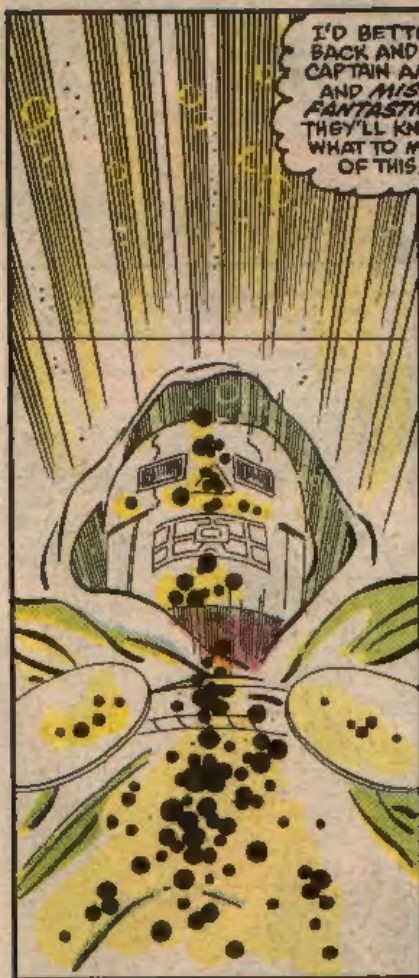
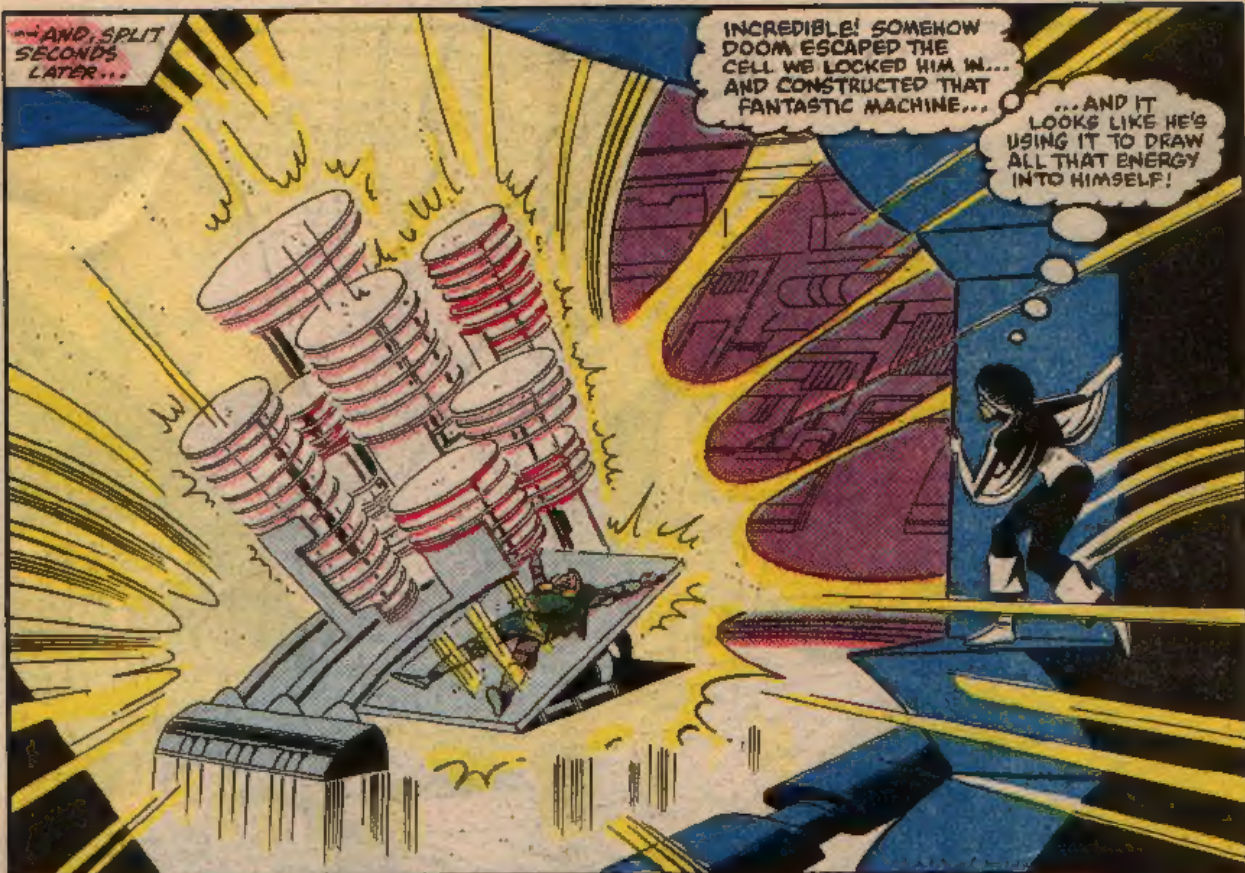
AND IN THE CENTER OF THE SEETHING ENERGY-CLOUD, GALACTUS PREPARES TO DRINK DEEP OF THE AWESOME POWER AROUND HIM...



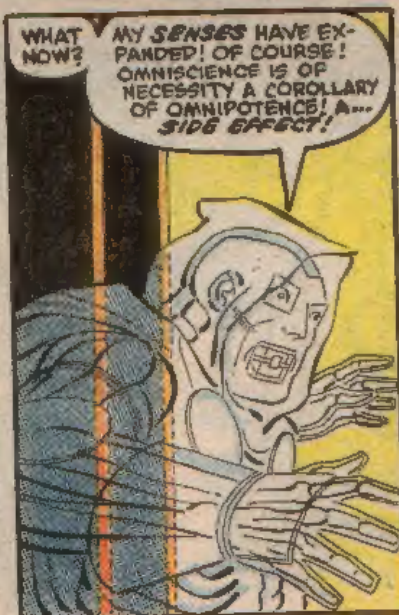
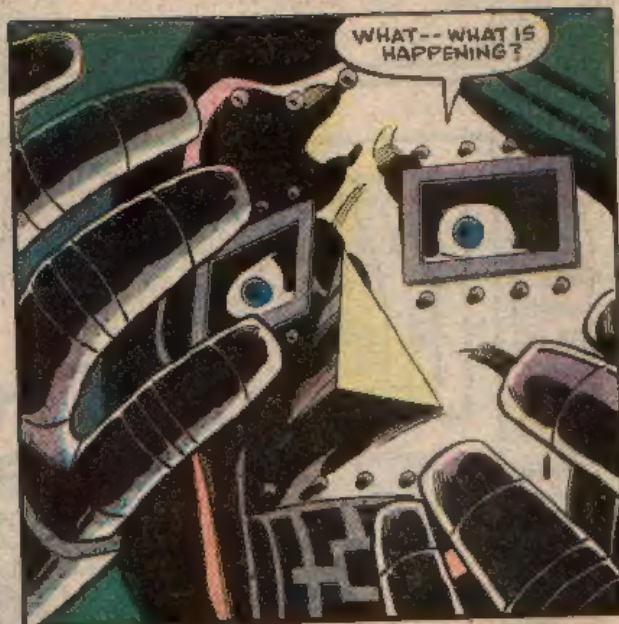
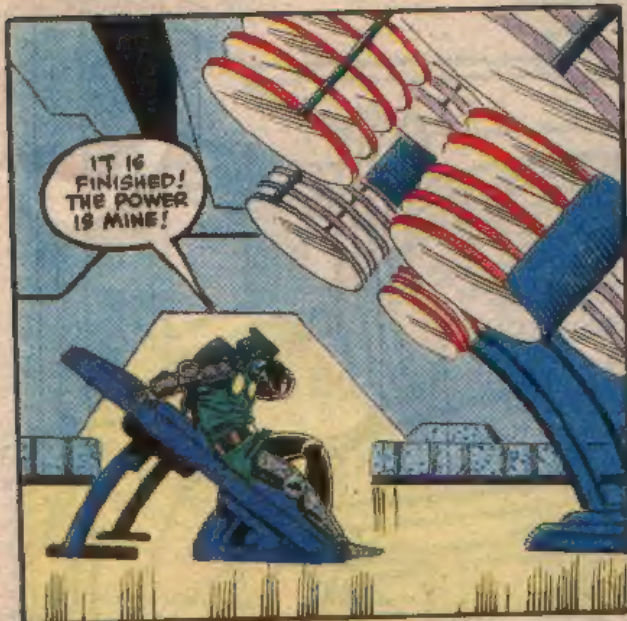




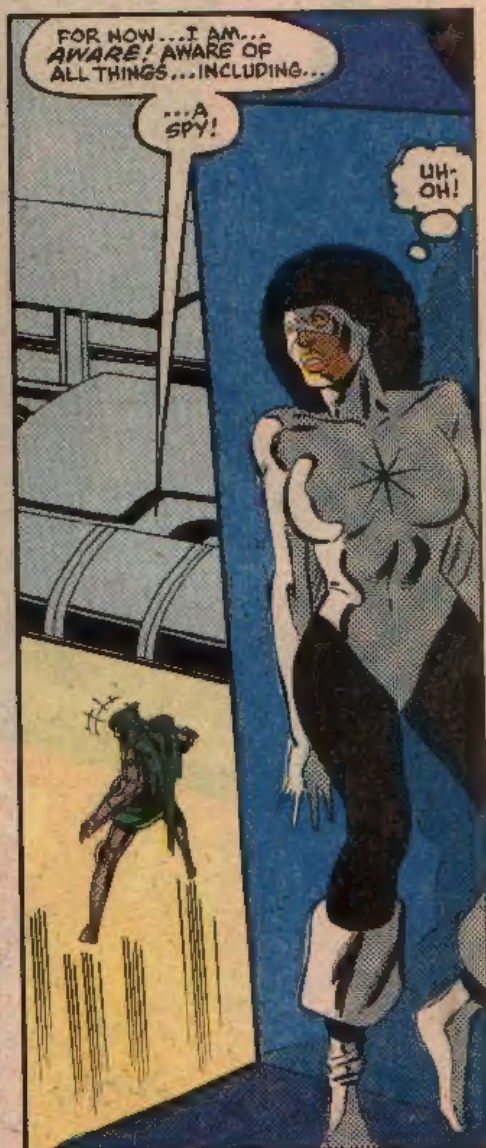
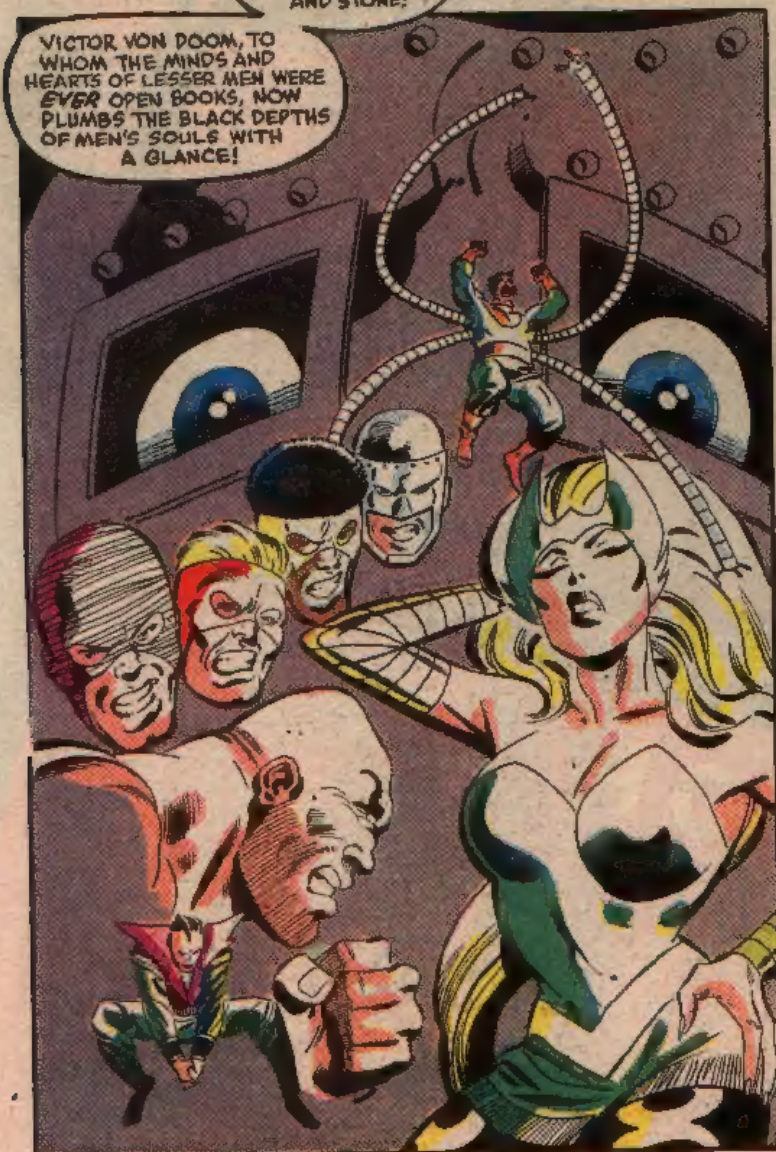
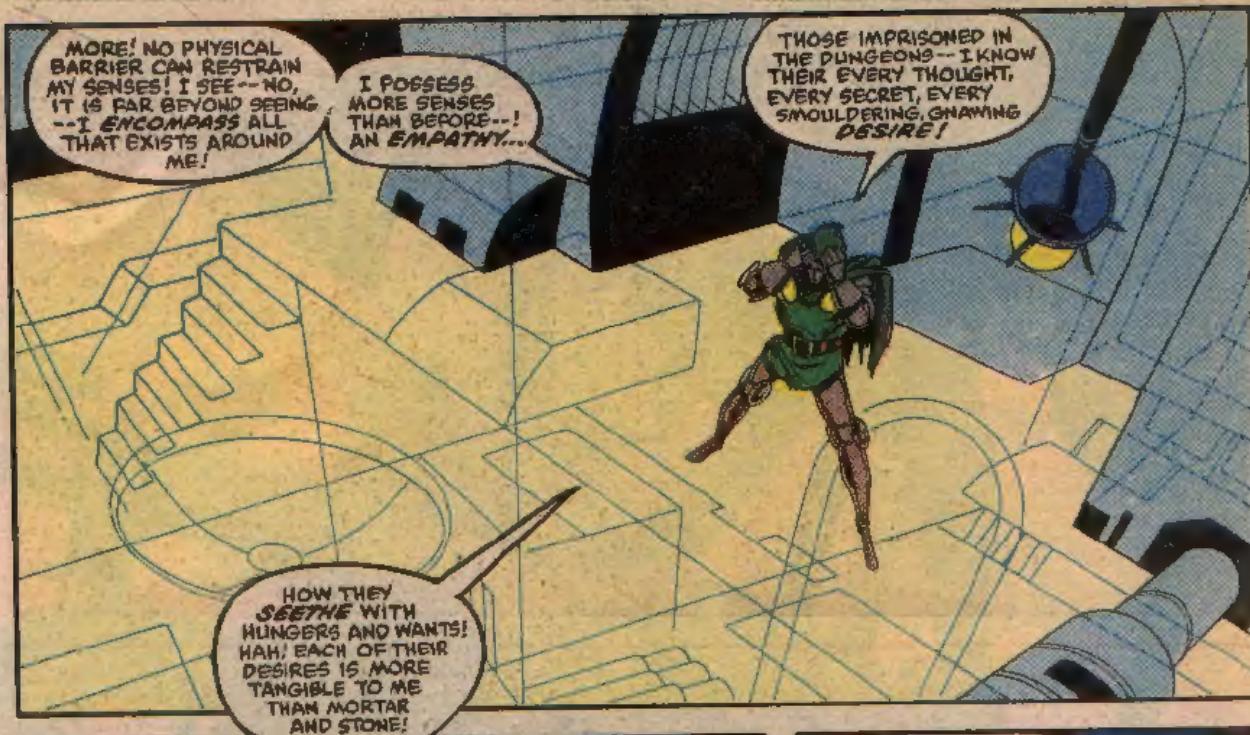




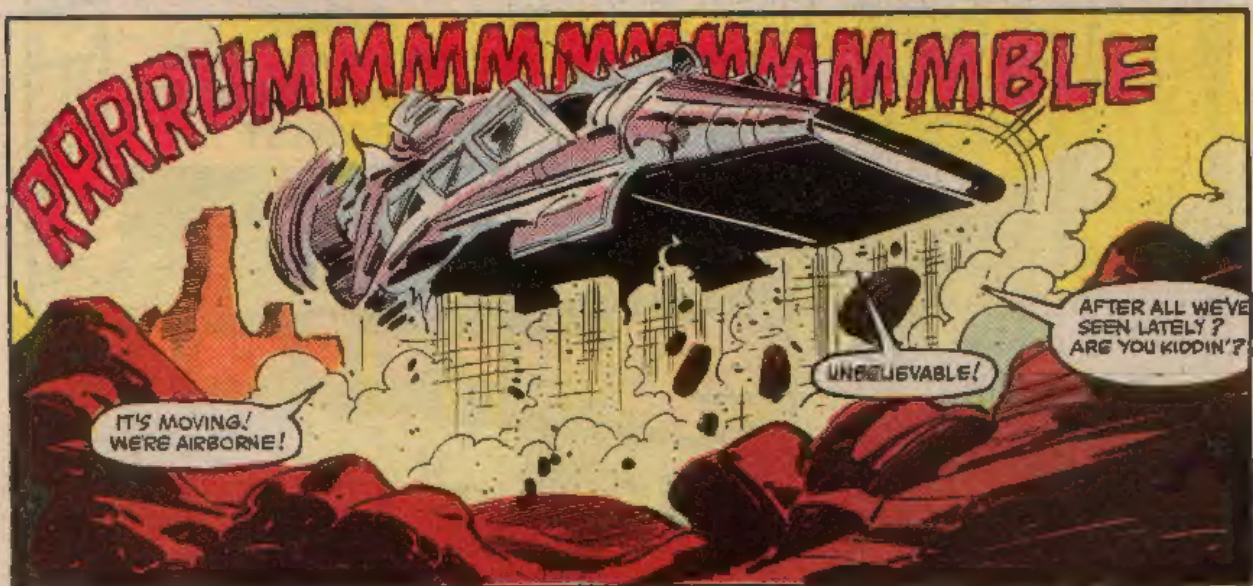
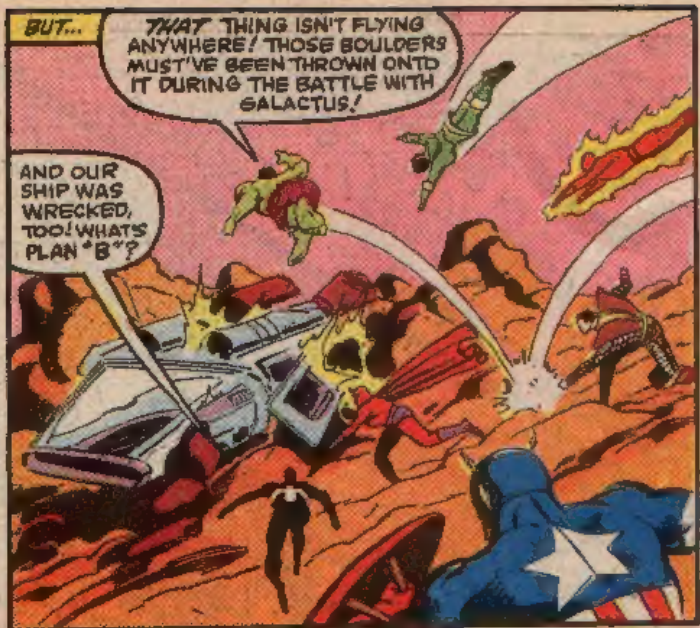








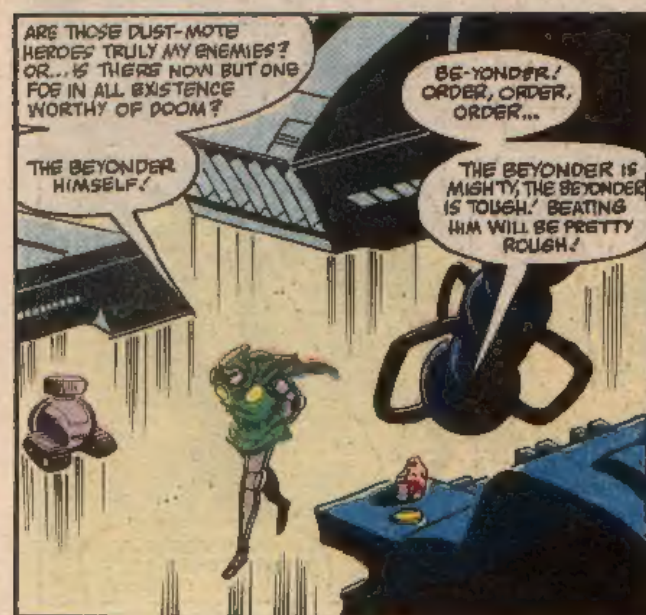
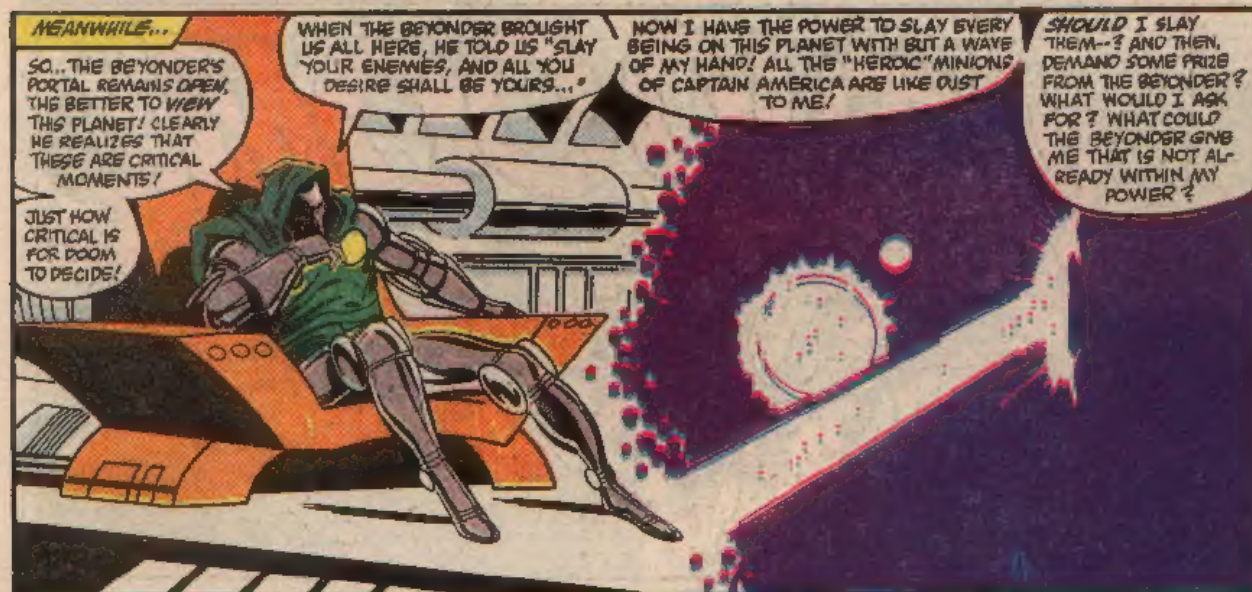
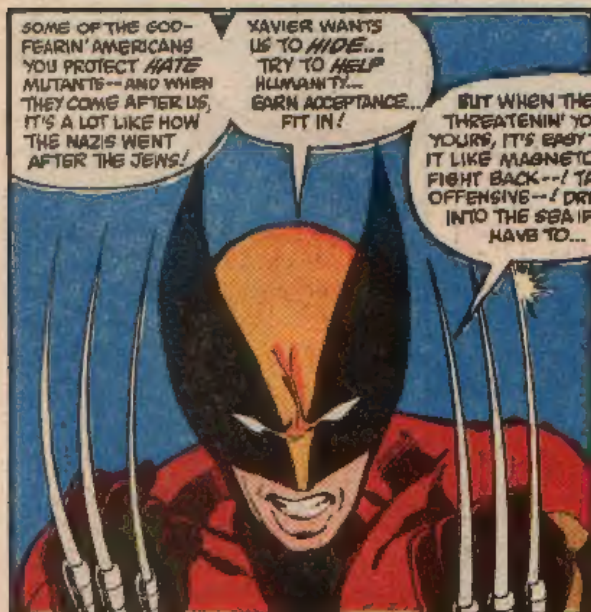














DAVID HAD A SLING...AND KNEW A WEAKNESS OF HIS Foe'S WHICH HE MIGHT EXPLOIT!

I KNOW SOMETHING OF THE BEYONDER--FOR, WHEN FIRST HE SPIRITED US TO THIS WORLD, I ATTEMPTED TO INVADE HIS PORTAL AND WAS BRUTALLY REPELLED--BUT NOT BEFORE MY ARMOR'S COMPUTERS ANALYZED HIS ENERGIES!

\* ASUG # 1!

A FEW SIMPLE ADJUSTMENTS, BASED UPON THAT DATA--AND BORROWING SOME TECHNOLOGY FROM THE DEVICE GALACTUS MEANT TO USE TO ABSORB THE ENERGY OF THIS PLANET.

--AND I HAVE MY "SLING" CONCEALED IN THE BREASTPLATE OF MY ARMOR!

I MUST GET VERY CLOSE, INDEED, TO THE BEYONDER IF I HOPE TO USE IT, HOWEVER--WITHIN AN ARM'S LENGTH

BUT THEN, DAVID HAD TO BRAVE THE GIANT'S SPEARS TO DEEM WITHIN RANGE! AND NOW, KLAU, I GO TO "WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW OF DEATH..."

FAREWELL!

AT THAT MOMENT...

# KATHOOOOM

HE'S GONE! DOOM IS NO LONGER WITHIN THIS STRUCTURE!

CHECK ON THE OTHER PRISONERS! QUICK!

MOMENTS LATER, IN THE DUNGEON MANY LEVELS BELOW...

EVERYBODY'S STILL BOTTLED UP, EXCEPT DOOM, OF COURSE!

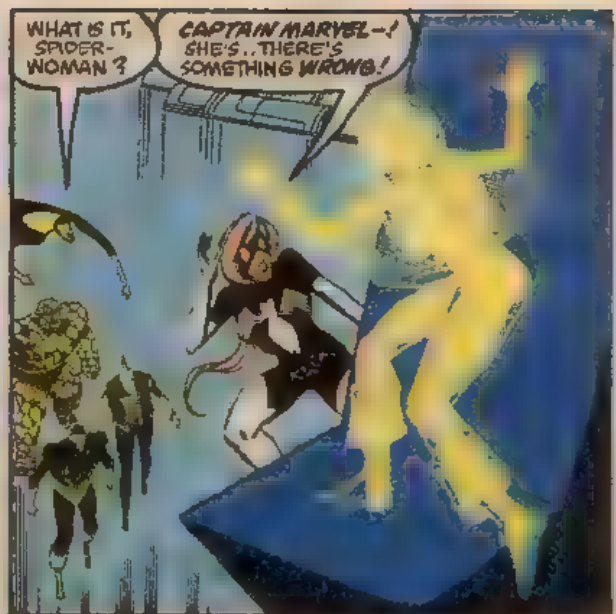
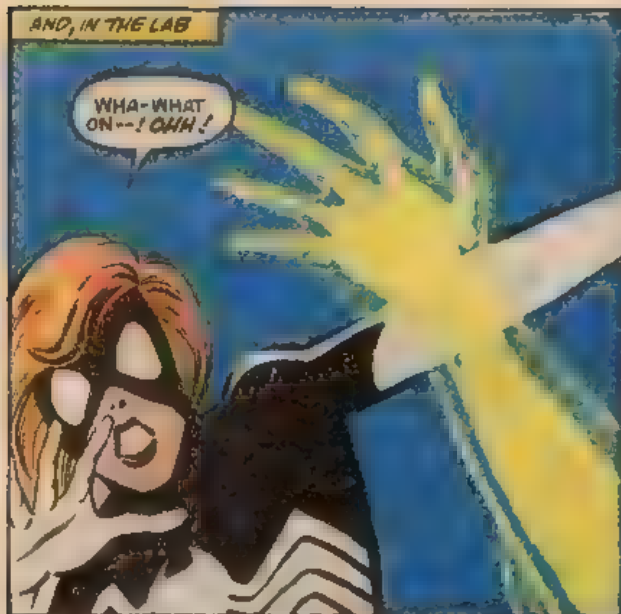
BUT I DON'T SEE KLAU ANYWHERE!

YOU'RE RIGHT, TORCH! WE'D BETTER START SEARCHING! THIS IS A SH-1-G PORT!

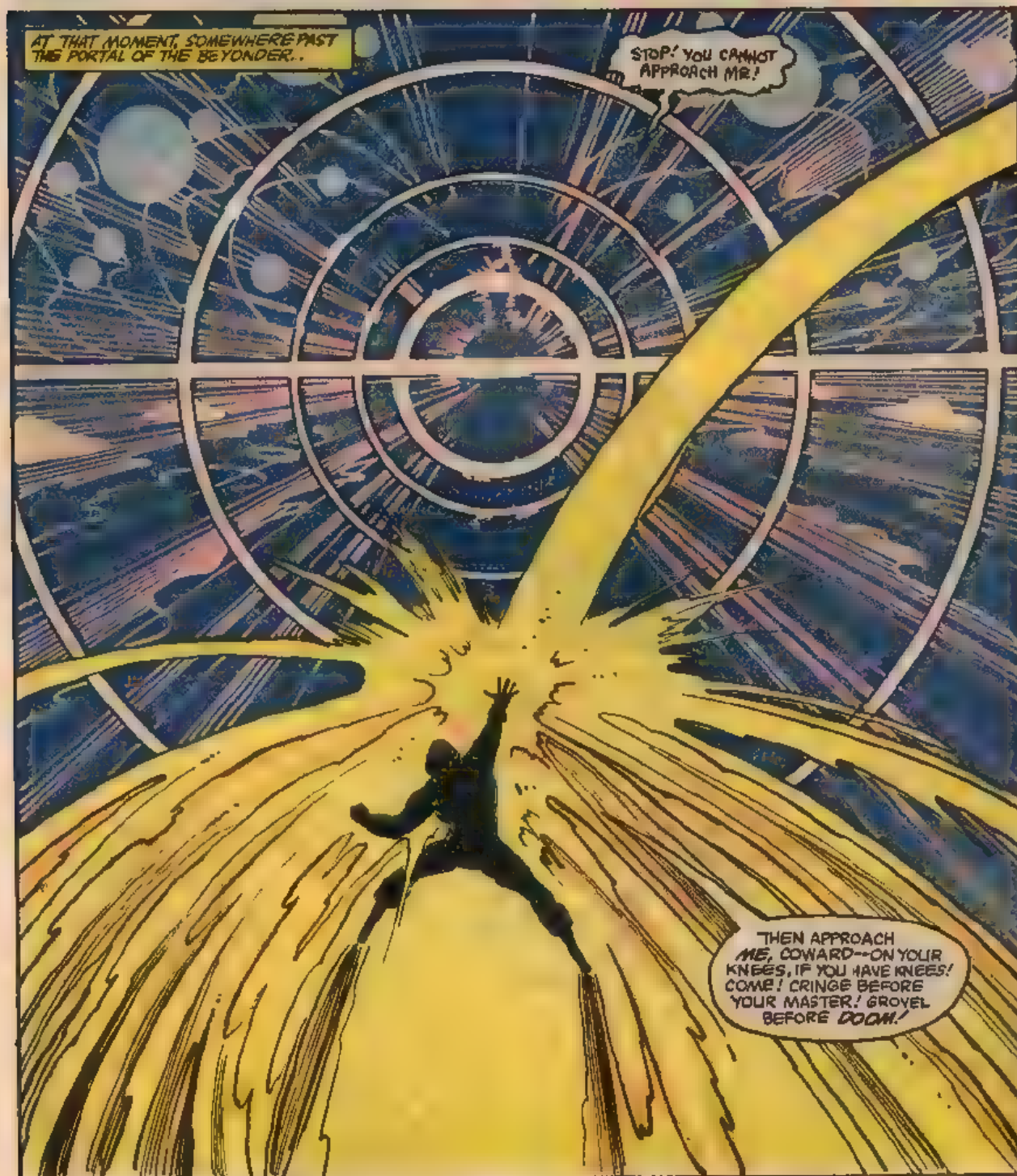
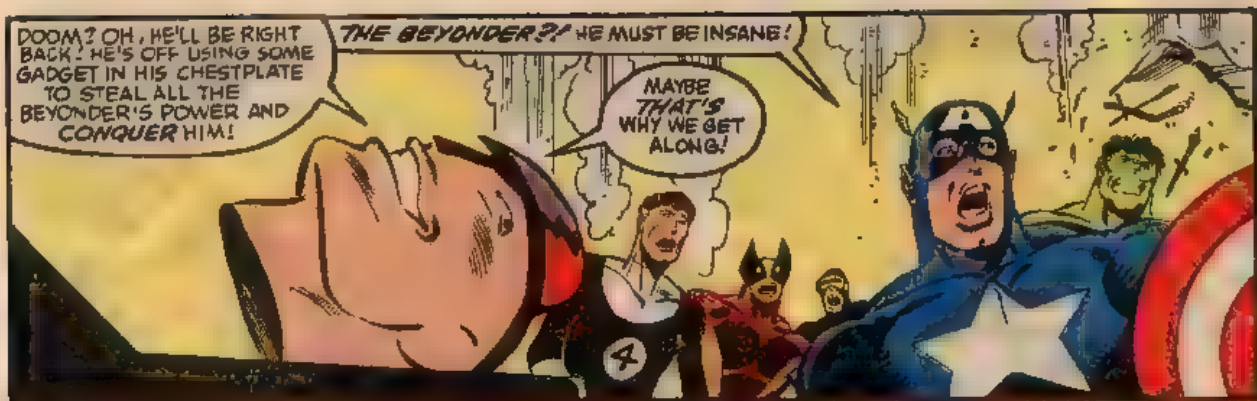
SPIDER-MAN, I THINK PROFESSOR X MIGHT BE ABLE TO TRACE HIM TELEPATHICALLY!

IF THAT'S POSSIBLE, NIGHTCRAWLER, LET'S HEAD BACK UPSTAIRS!

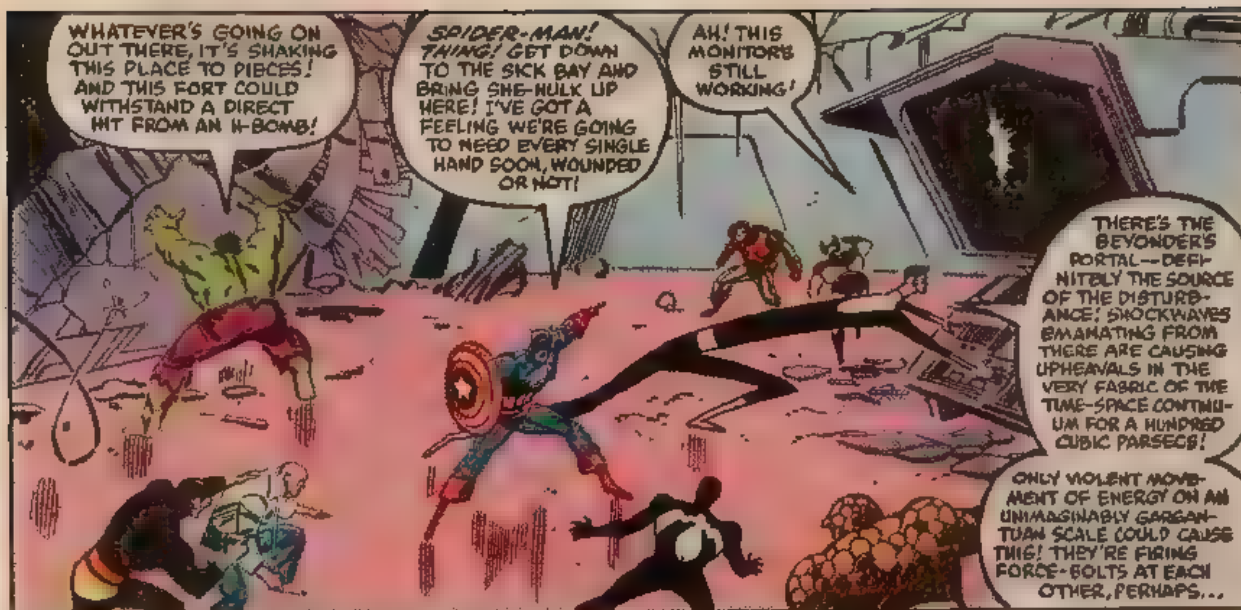












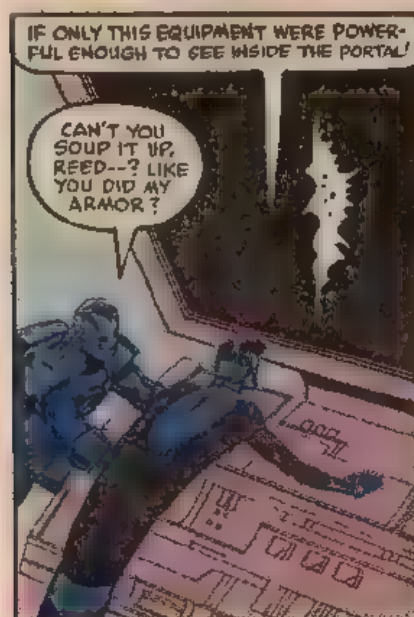
WHATEVER'S GOING ON OUT THERE, IT'S SHAKING THIS PLACE TO PIECES! AND THIS FORT COULD WITHSTAND A DIRECT HIT FROM AN H-BOMB!

SPIDER-MAN! THING! GET DOWN TO THE SICK BAY AND BRING SHE-HULK UP HERE! I'VE GOT A FEELING WE'RE GOING TO NEED EVERY SINGLE HAND SOON, WOUNDED OR NOT!

AH! THIS MONITOR'S STILL WORKING!

THERE'S THE BEYONDER'S PORTAL--DEFINITELY THE SOURCE OF THE DISTURBANCE! SHOCKWAVES EMANATING FROM THERE ARE CAUSING UPEAVALS IN THE VERY FABRIC OF THE TIME-SPACE CONTINUUM FOR A HUNDRED CUBIC PARSECS!

ONLY VIOLENT MOVEMENT OF ENERGY ON AN UNIMAGINABLY GARGANTUAN SCALE COULD CAUSE THIS! THEY'RE FIRING FORCE-BOLTS AT EACH OTHER, PERHAPS...



IF ONLY THIS EQUIPMENT WERE POWERFUL ENOUGH TO SEE INSIDE THE PORTAL!

CAN'T YOU SOUP IT UP, REED--? LIKE YOU DID MY ARMOR?



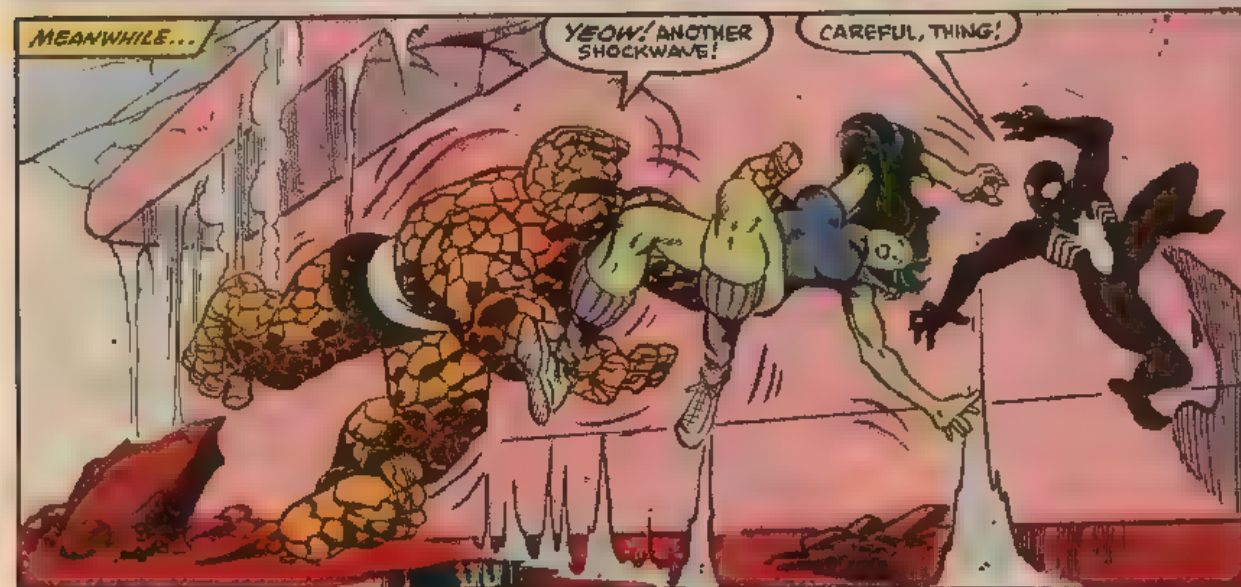
THERE'S NO TIME! NO MATTER, THOUGH! IT'S POWERFUL ENOUGH TO LOCATE GALACTUS SO I CAN BRING HIM BACK HERE...HELP HIM...REVITALIZE HIM!

WHAT--?! AIN'T WE GOT ENOUGH TROUBLE? WHAT IF HE TRIES TO KILL US AGAIN?



HE MAY... BUT IF DOOM SHOULD GIVE UP HIS ATTACK ON THE BEYONDER AND TURN HIS ATTENTION TO US AGAIN... THE ONLY WAY WE'D STAND A CHANCE IS WITH THE POWER OF GALACTUS ON OUR SIDE!

THERE HE IS! NOW IF WE CAN JUST LOCK A TRACTOR BEAM ON THOSE CO-ORDINATES!

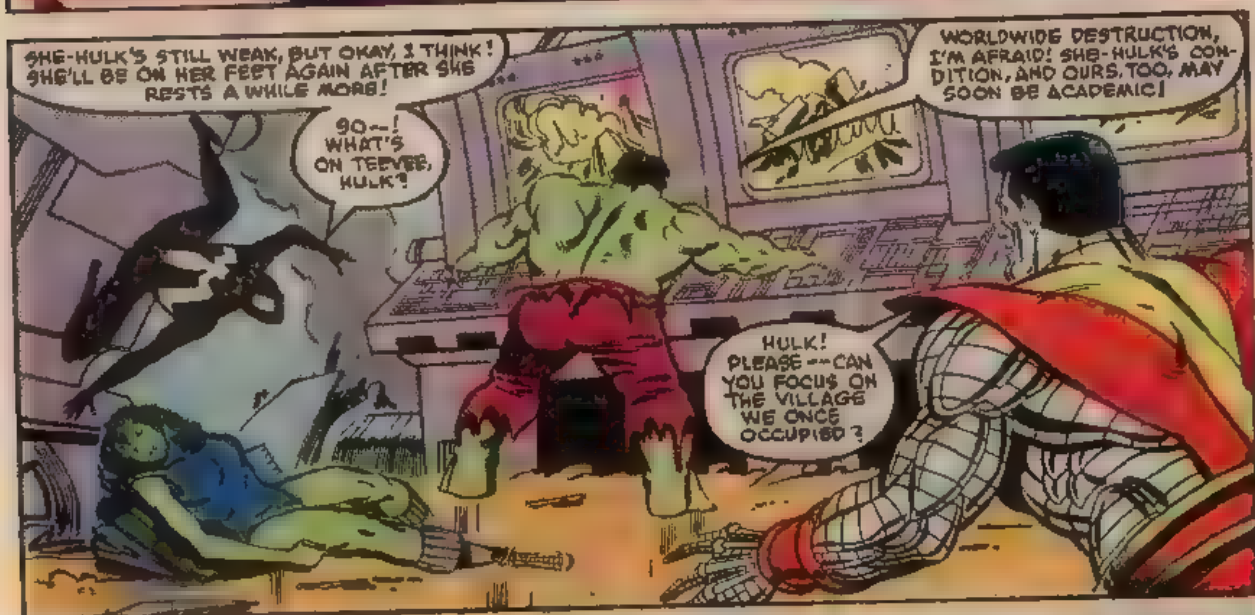
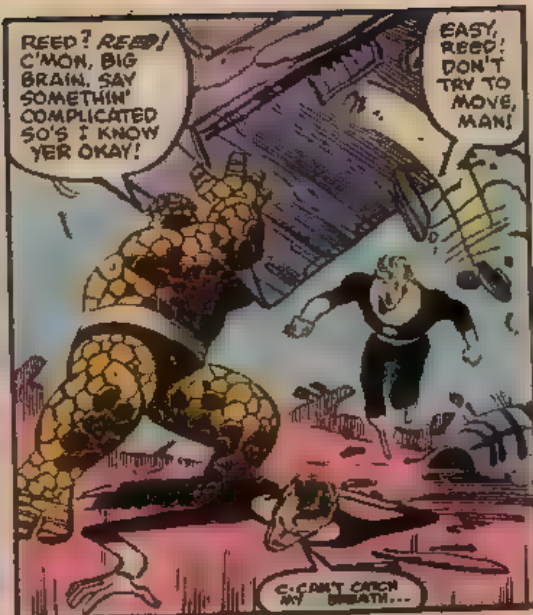


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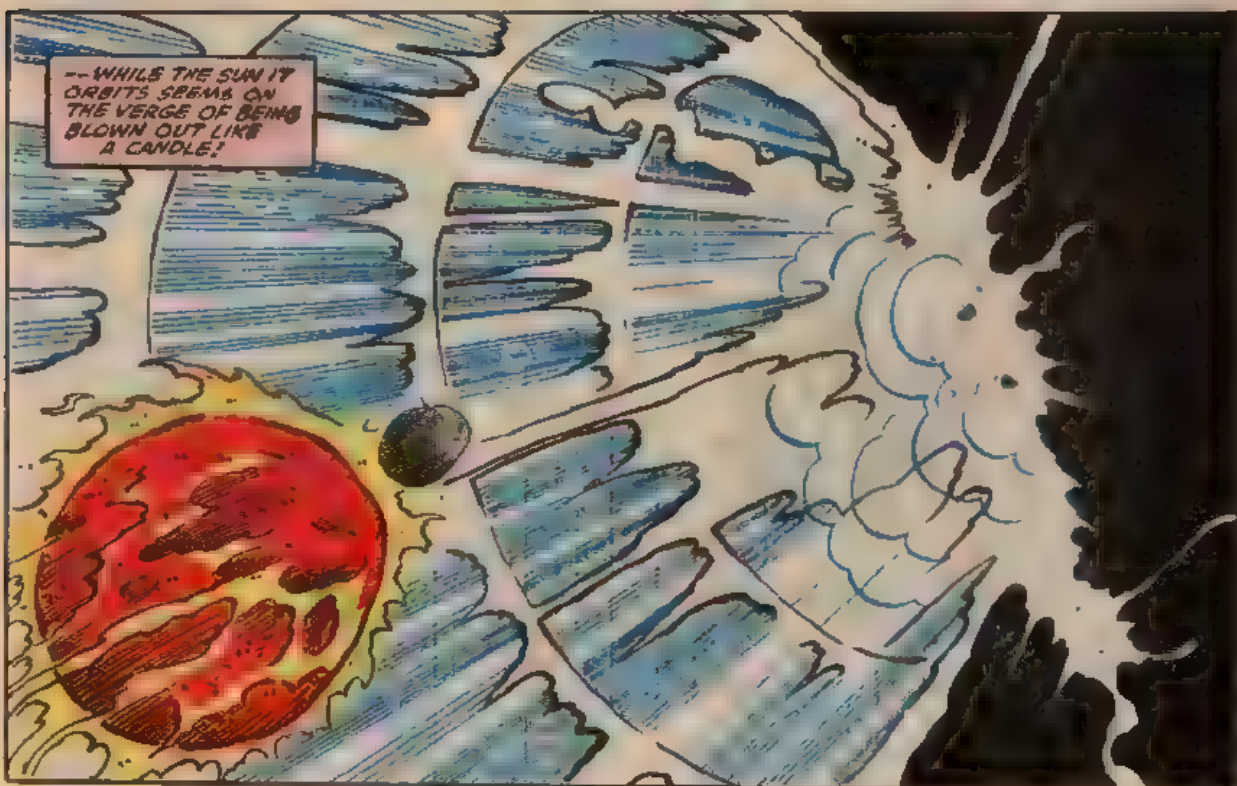
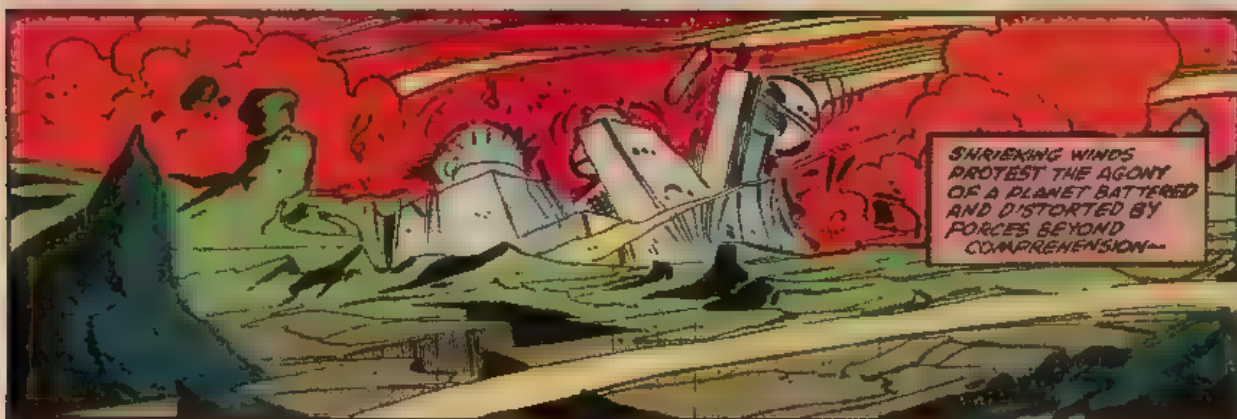
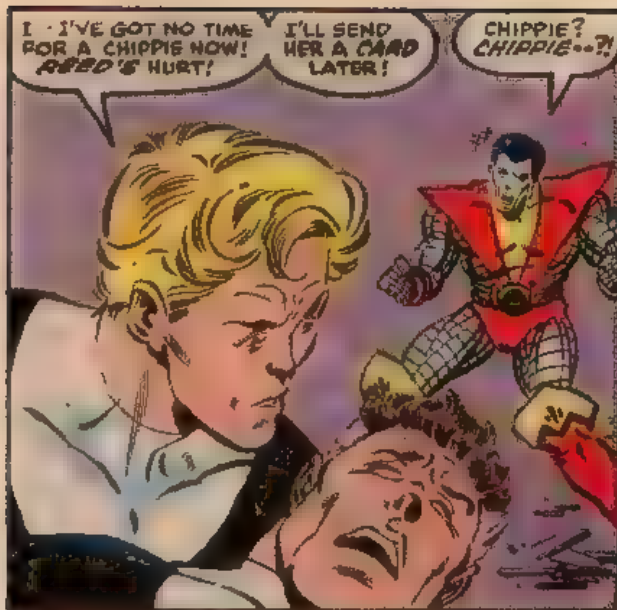
YEOW! ANOTHER SHOCKWAVE!

CAREFUL, THING!

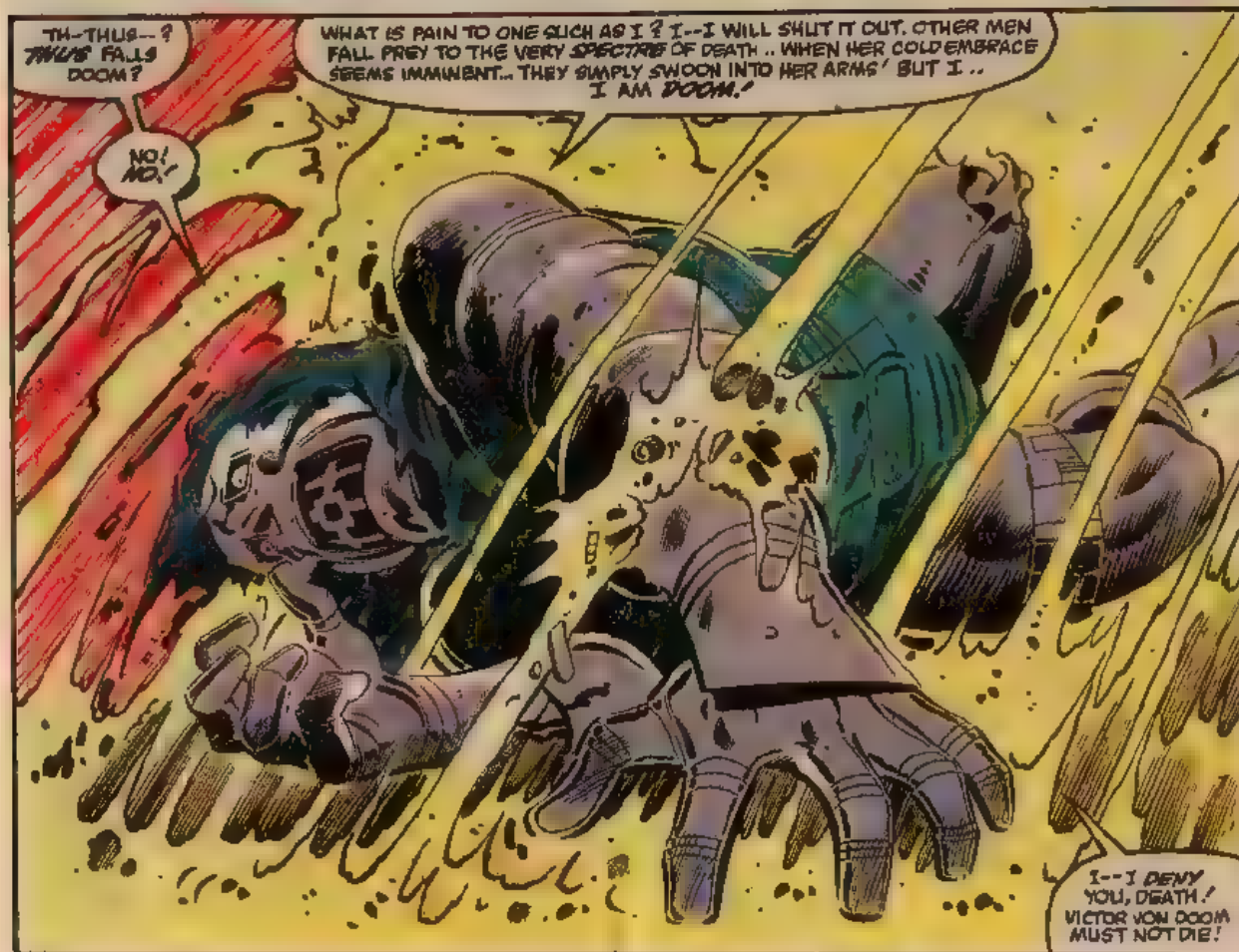
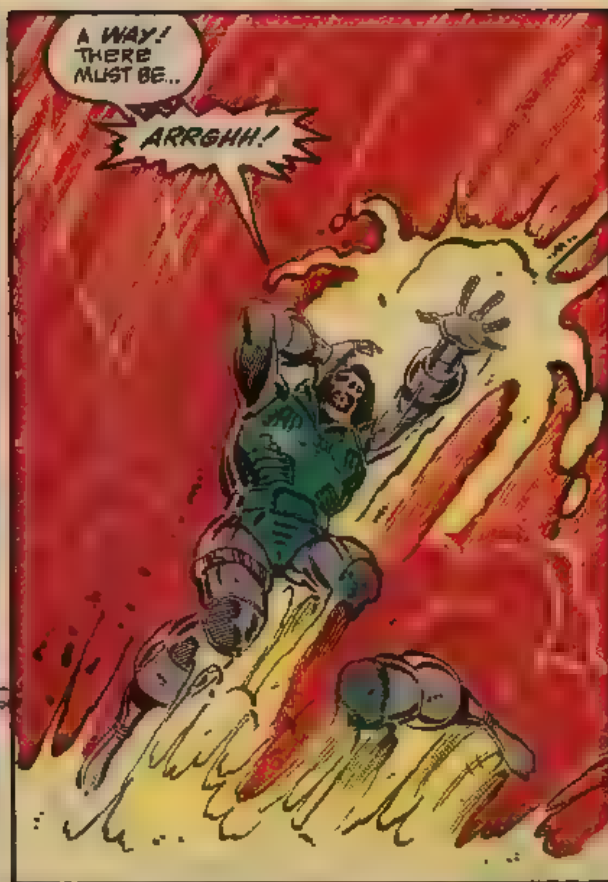
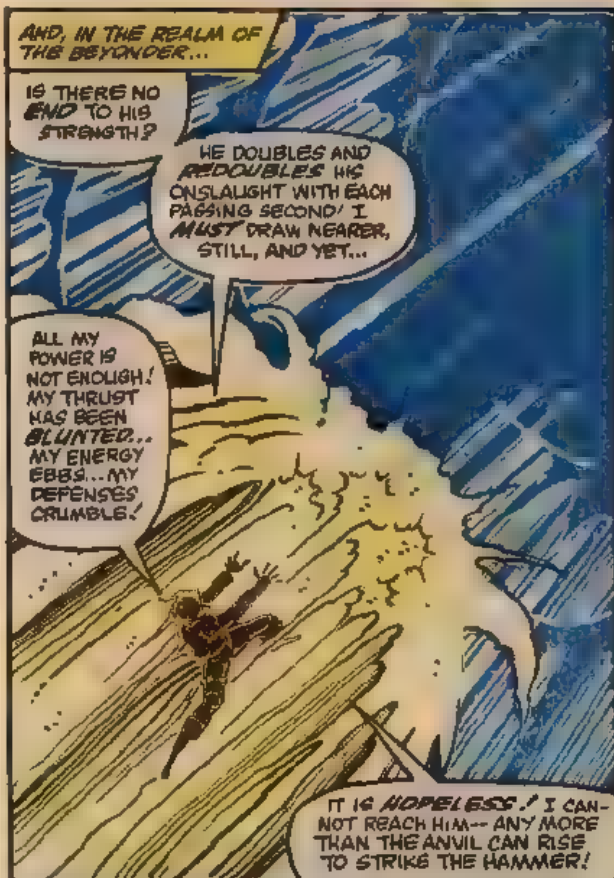




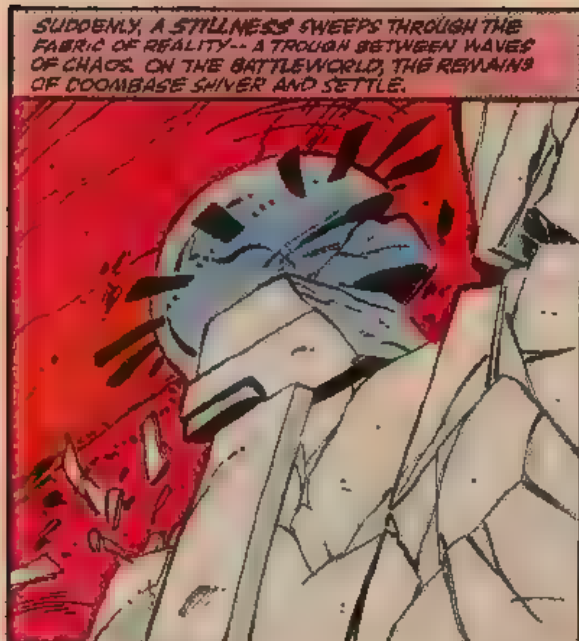




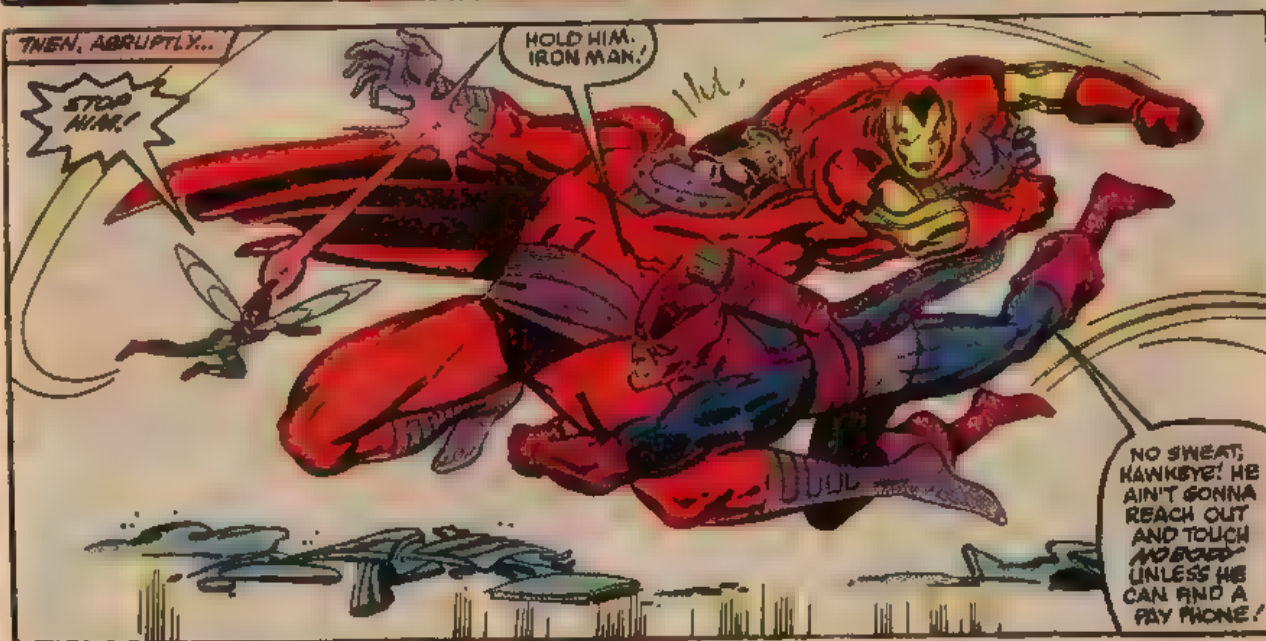
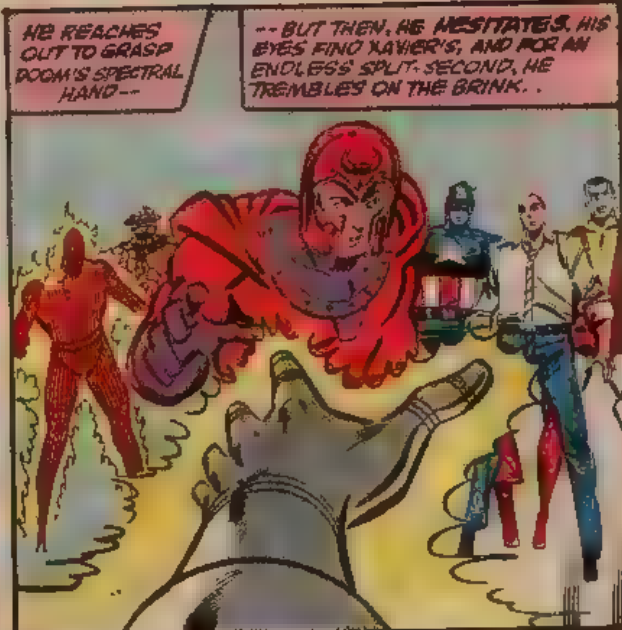
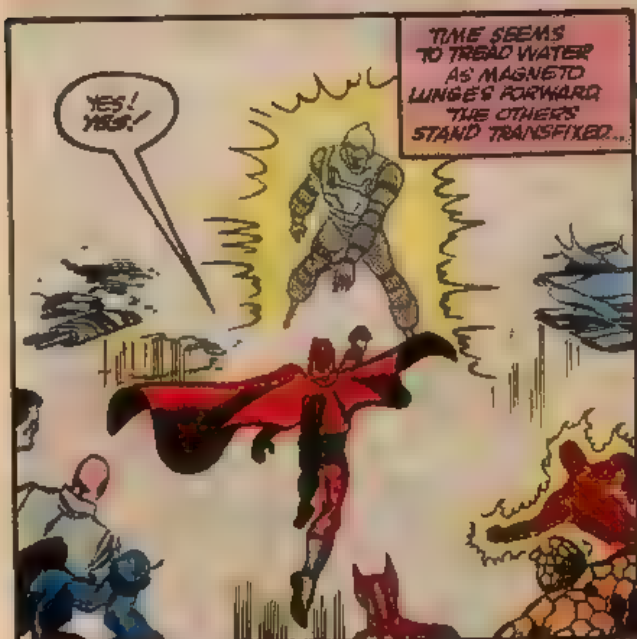
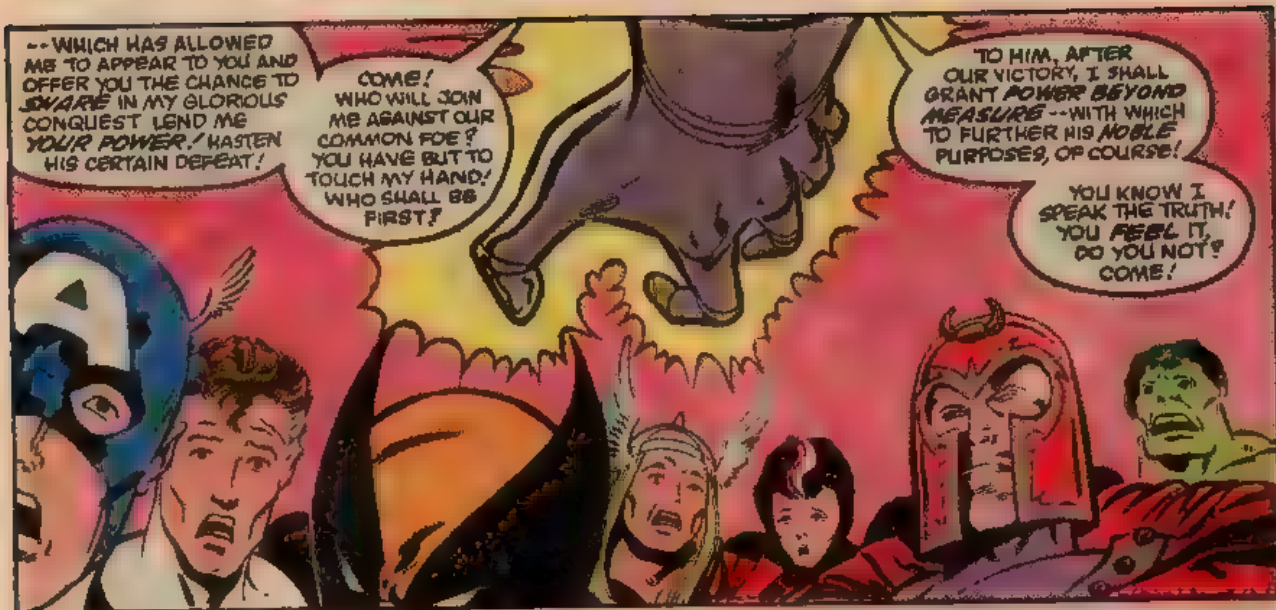




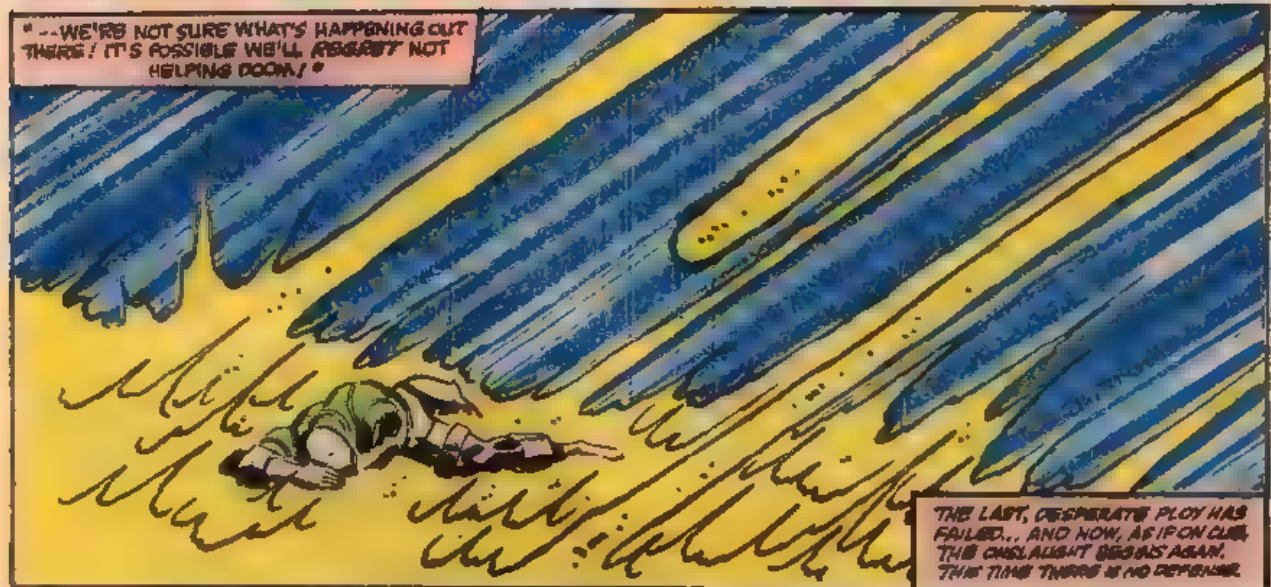
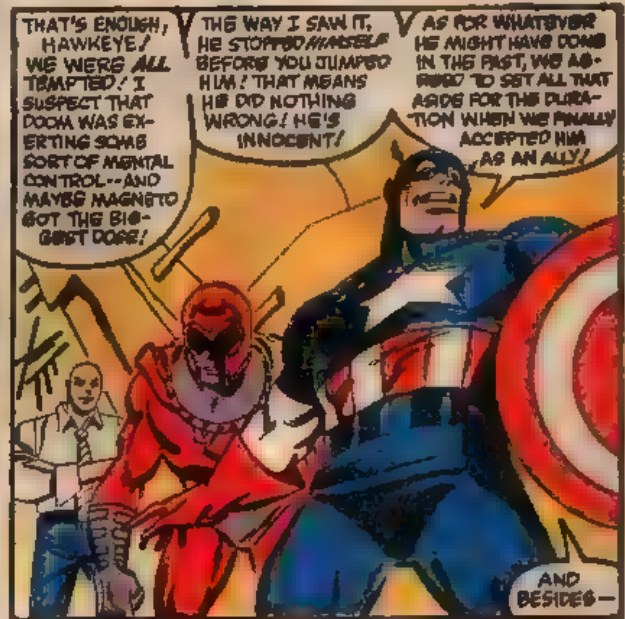
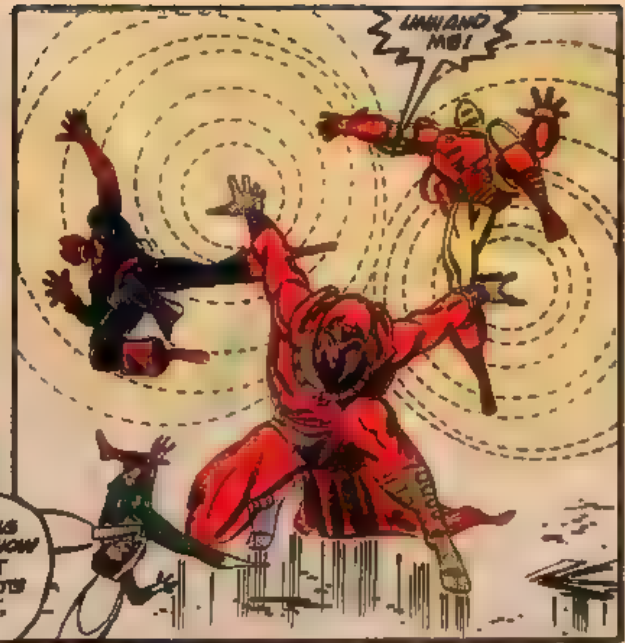
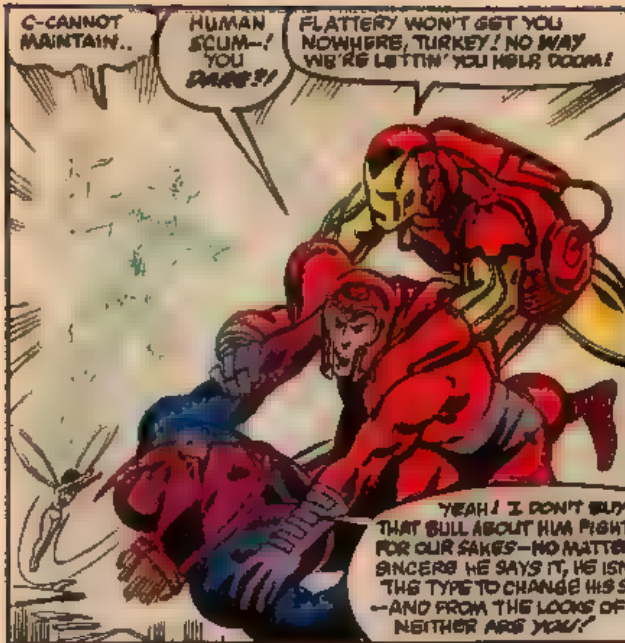










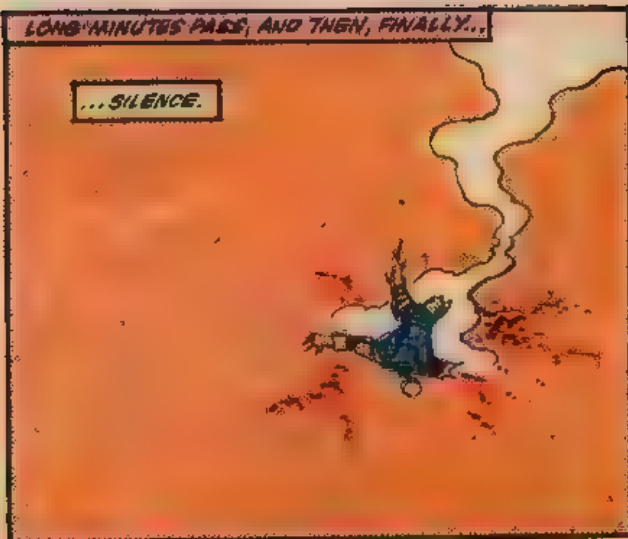


THE LAST, DESPERATE PLOY HAS FAILED... AND NOW, AS IF ON CLUE, THE CHAOS BEGINS AGAIN. THIS TIME THERE IS NO DEFENSE.

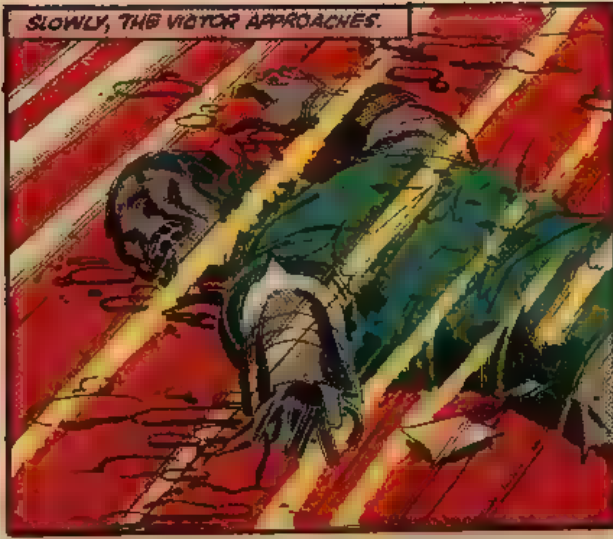


LONG MINUTES PASS, AND THEN, FINALLY...

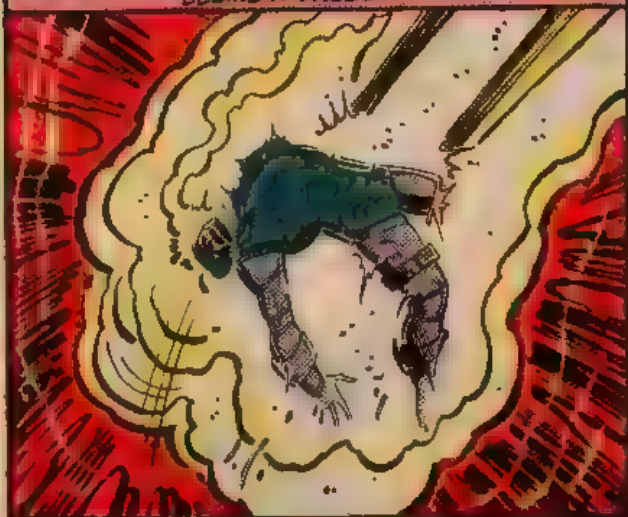
... SILENCE.



SLOWLY, THE VICTOR APPROACHES.

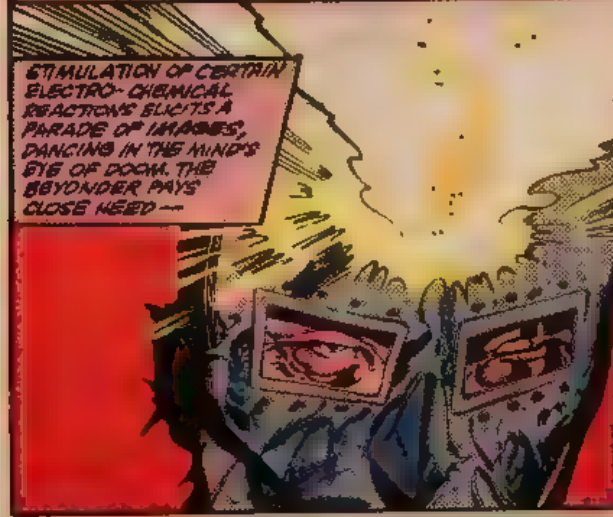


GATHERING UP THE SAVAGED REMAINS, THE BEYONDER BEGINS TO PROBE--



-- SOON FOCUSING UPON THE APPARENT CENTER OF ITS FALLEN FOE'S BEING!

STIMULATION OF CERTAIN ELECTRO-CHEMICAL REACTIONS ELICITS A PARADE OF IMAGES, DANCING IN THE MIND'S EYE OF DOOM. THE BEYONDER PAYS CLOSE HEED--



-- AND SEES UNFOLDED BEFORE HIM THE LIFE-JOURNEY OF THE CARRION HE HOLDS. HE SEES DOOM AS HE REMEMBERS HIMSELF FROM YEARS PAST, A GYPSY YOUTH, HANDSOME AND PROUD...

PROMINENT IS THE HAUNTING VISAGE OF DOOM'S MOTHER, THE HEALER, MAKER OF POTIONS-- CRUELLY PUT TO DEATH WHEN DOOM WAS BUT AN INFANT, SLAIN AT THE COMMAND OF A PETTY OFFICIAL FOR PRACTISING HER ARTS AFTER FAILING TO CURE AN AILING HORSE.

HE WITNESSES THE YOUNG MAN'S FINDING OF HIS MOTHER'S HIDDEN CACHE OF SORCERY AND SCIENTIFIC SECRETS AND THE GROWTH OF HIS KNOWLEDGE OF SCIENCES BOTH PHYSICAL AND SUPERNORMAL.

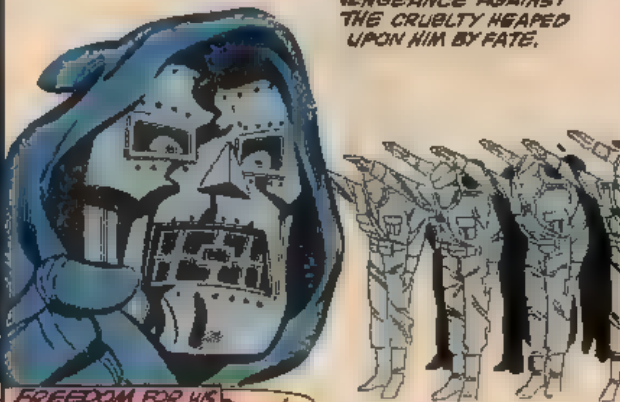


HE OBSERVES DOOM'S DISCOVERY THAT HIS MOTHER'S SPIRIT FORM IS TRAPPED IN AN INFERNAL, EXTRA-DIMENSIONAL NETHERWORLD AND SEES THE TRAGIC ATTEMPT TO CONTACT HER, WHICH LEAVES HIS FACE A SCARRED RUIN.



FINALLY, HE BEHOLDS WHAT THOSE EVENTS HAVE BROUGHT IN THE DARK REACHES OF THE HEART AND MIND OF DOOM AS THE IMAGES CHANGE-- REVEALING THE DESIRES WHICH RULE THIS SHATTERED MAN.

POWER! AS THOUGH USURPING CONTROL OVER THE DESTINIES OF OTHER MEN WOULD SERVE AS VENGEANCE AGAINST THE CRUELTY HEAPED UPON HIM BY FATE.



FREEDOM FOR HIS MOTHER'S SPIRIT, SEIZED AND HELD BY THE DEMONIC MEPHISTO IN HIS FIERY DIMENSION, AS PAYMENT FOR ARDENT KNOWLEDGE GRANTED TO HER



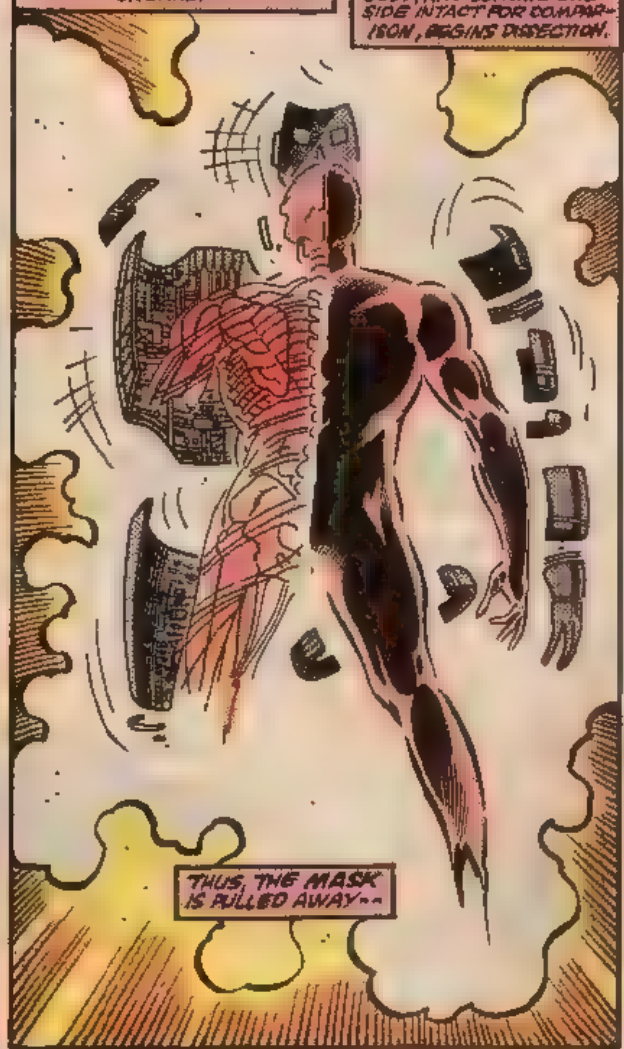
RESTORATION OF HIS RAVAGED FACE-- THE UNDOING OF THE HORROR HE HAS EVER KEPT HIDDEN BEHIND HIS GRIM IRON MASK.

FOR LONG MOMENTS, THE BEYONDER REFLECTS UPON THIS THING, DESIRE, HE PONDERS THE PASSION, THE BITTERNESS, THE HATRED WITH WHICH IT SEETHES-- THE MYSTERY OF IT.



BUT THERE IS MUCH ELSE TO INVESTIGATE... AND PERHAPS HE CAN LEARN MORE OF THIS EMPTINESS-- WHICH DRIVES BY EXPLORING OTHER ORGANS.

THE BILATERAL SYMMETRY OF HIS BEATEN POG, THOUGH DAMAGED IS STILL EVIDENT. THE BEYONDER STRIPS THE BODY, AND LEAVING ONE SIDE INTACT FOR COMPARISON, BEGINS DISSECTION.



THUS, THE MASK IS PULLED AWAY--

-- AND AS THE ICY VACUUM OF THE BEYONDER'S REALM WASHES ACROSS HALF OF DOOM'S BARED FACE--

-- HE AWAKENS...



... AWAKENS FEELING HALF OF HIS BODY BEING PULLED APART... PEELED AWAY IN LAYERS...

THE AGENCY, THE NAUSEA, AND THE HORROR ARE BEYOND IMAGINING, UTTER DEATH, ONLY SPLIT-SECONDS AWAY, OFFERS AN ESCAPE, WHICH ANY OTHER MORTAL WOULD GRATEFULLY ACCEPT...

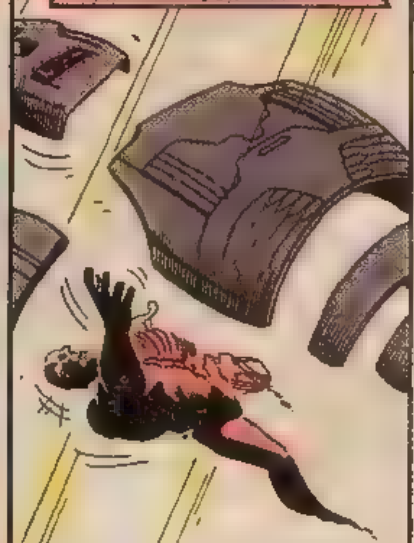
... BUT HE IS DOOM!



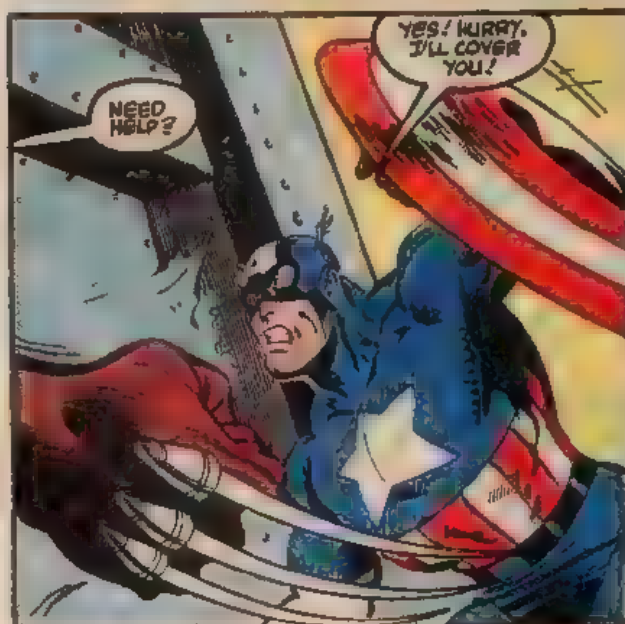
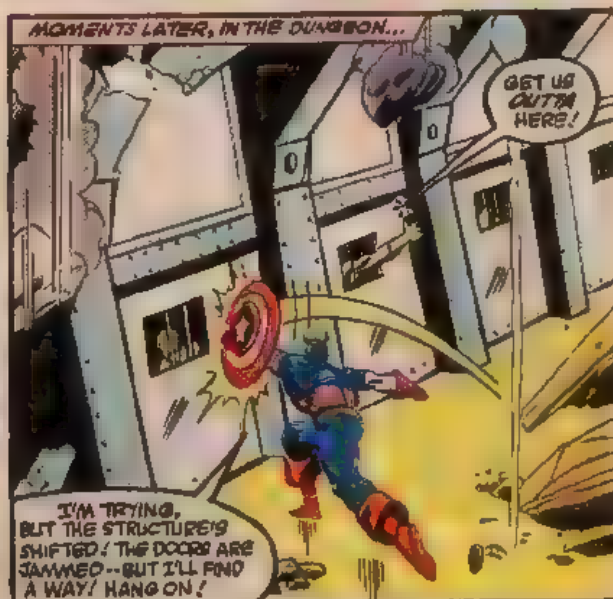
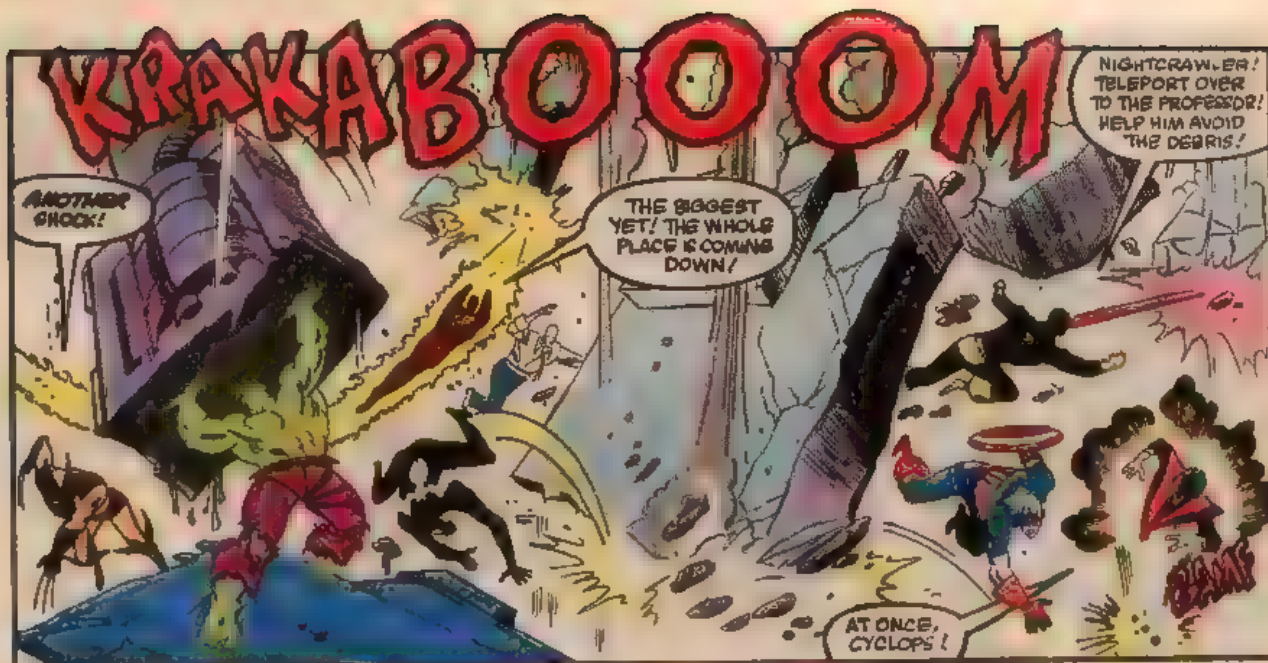
THE BREASTPLATE HOVERS NEAR... AND THE BEYONDER HIMSELF IS CLOSE AT HAND! HIS REMAINING ARM QUIVERS WEAKLY, ITS BATTERED FLESH LOATHED TO RESPOND--

-- BUT HE IS DOOM!

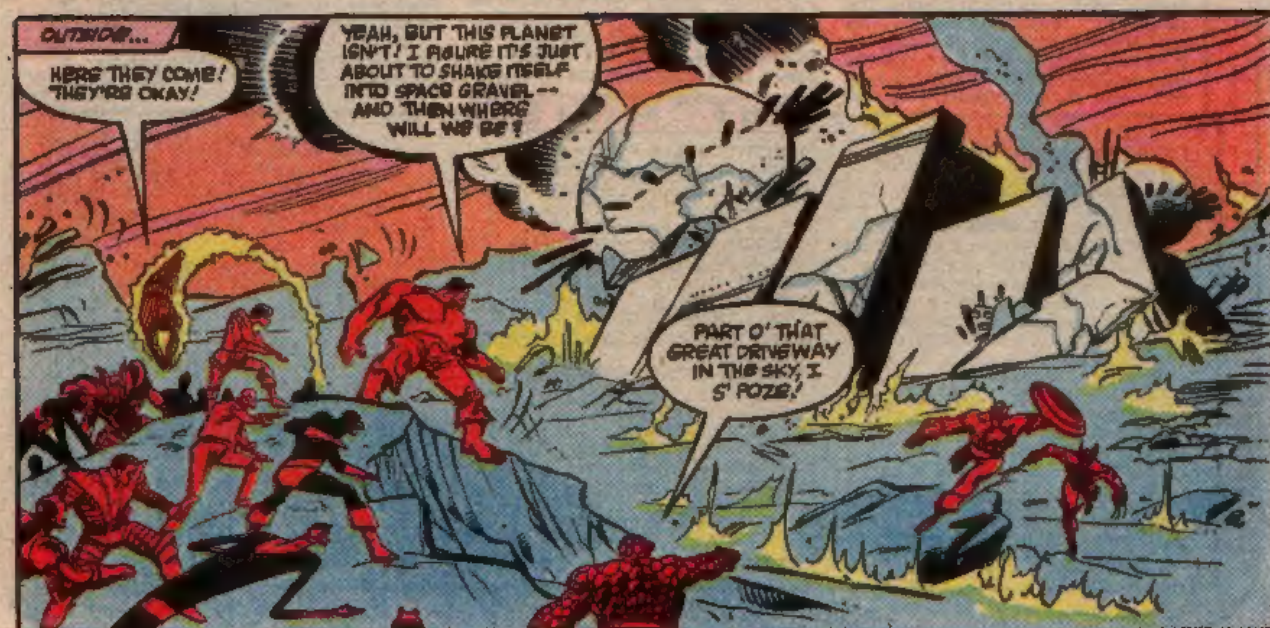
AS HIS VISION BLURS AND THE EBONY WARMTH CLOSES AROUND HIS CONSCIOUSNESS HE FIGHTS ON, REACHING, GROPING...











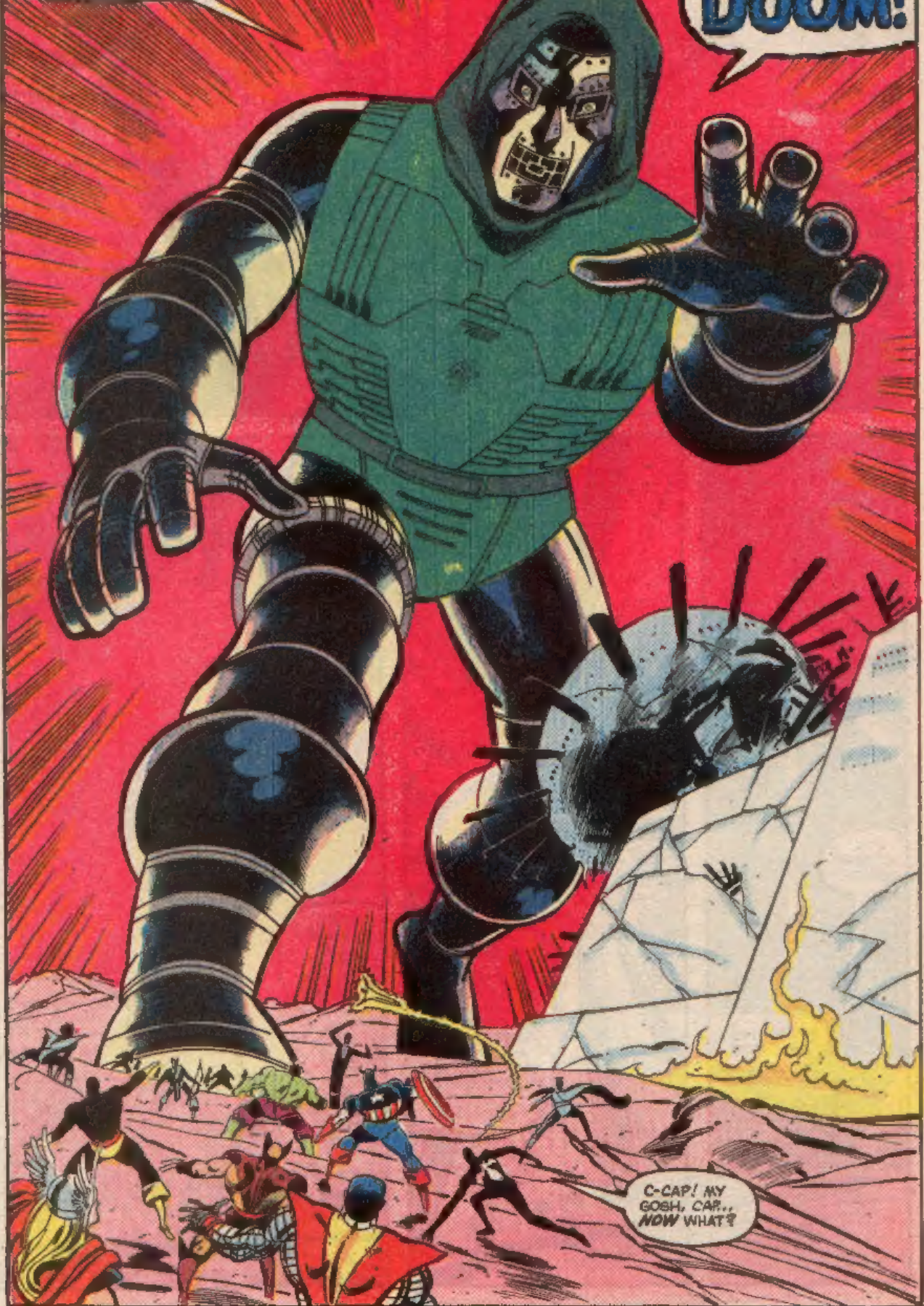






THE BEYONDER IS DEAD!  
NOW, THE SUPREME  
BEING IN THE UNIVERSE...

...IS  
**DOOM!**



C-CAP! MY  
GOSH, CAP.,  
NOW WHAT?





THIS IS GOING TO BE THE FIGHT OF OUR LIVES!

ON MY COMMAND, ATTACK!  
AND DON'T STOP... DON'T LET  
UP... NO MATTER WHAT!

WE MUST FIND A WAY... WE  
WILL FIND A WAY TO WIN!

READY...!

HOLD! STAY  
YOUR HAND,  
CAPTAIN  
AMERICA!

ABSORBING THE  
BEYONDER'S VAST  
ENERGIES CAUSED  
MY FORM TO SWELL TO  
ENORMOUS PROPORTIONS--  
BUT I AM WHAT I WISH  
TO BE NOW!

LET ME, THEN, RETURN  
TO HUMAN PROPORTIONS  
SO THAT WE MAY MORE  
EASILY SPEAK... FACE  
TO FACE!

FIRST, KNOW  
YOU THESE  
THINGS...

THE BEYONDER  
NO LONGER EXISTS...  
AND DOOM HAS BEEN  
REBORN. THIS, HAVE  
TWO EVILS COME TO  
AN END!

THERE IS  
NO ENEMY  
LEFT TO  
FIGHT!

**THE WAR IS OVER!**

NONETHELESS, WE  
STRONGLY SUGGEST  
THAT YOU READ THE  
NEXT ISSUE OF  
MARVEL SUPER  
HEROES SECRET  
WARS ON SALE IN  
THIRTY DAYS!!